DAMASCUS (R) - Syrian President Hafez Al Assad met the brothers of Lehanon's assassinated Prime Minister Rashid Karami in Damascus on Sunday and asserted his government's determination to help the war-torn country. The official Syrian Arab News Agency (SANA) quoted Mr. Assad as telling Omar and Maan Karami: "Syria's decision is to stand by the Lebanese to get over the abnormal situation in Lebanon." Mr. Karami, a key Syrian ally in Lebanon, was killed in a mid-air blast aboard a Lebanese army helicopter on June 1. Damascus Radio said Mr Karami's brothers also met Vice-President Abdul Halim Khaddam and discussed the "large political conspiracy" behind Mr. Karami's killing. The assassination sparked fears of a new round of violence in Lebanon and widened political rifts after Muslim and pro-Syrian leaders accused the army and the rightist Lebanese Forces militia of the killing. Munif Oweidal, the state prosecutor in charge of the judicial inquiry into the assassination, resigned on Salurday in an apparent protest over accusa-tions by Omar Karami that he was a member of an "orchestra of procrasunators" trying to hold up the probe.

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Kuwait proposes Philippines talks under OIC aegis

KUWAIT (AP) - Kuwait on Sunday proposed new talks between the Philippines govern-ment and Muslim rebel leaders under the patronage of the 46member Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC). The proposal was made at a meeting between Kuwait's Foreign Minis-try under-secretary. Faisal Al Murawa, and Philippines Amhas-sador Alunan Glang. "Kuwait made the proposal in its capacity as current chairman of the OIC," Mr. Mutawa told the Kuwait News Agency. "Any ruling that would be reached during such talks would be strongly supported as it will be backed by 46 Muslim

Shultz, Weinberger open Sydney talks

SYDNEY (AP) - Secretary of State George Shultz and Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger opened talks Sunday with Australian leaders concerned about U.S. trade policies and potential security threats in the South Pacific. Mr. Shultz and Mr. Weinberger met informally with Australian Prime Minister Boh Hawke and members of his cabinet and planned to hold a formal session Monday to discuss strategic issues. The visit is a low-key affair, in part because Mr. Hawke's government is campaigning for re-election in parliamentary balloting June 11 and because there are few sources of friction between the two countries other than an agriculture dispute.

Rabin laments Jewish apathy to live in Israel .

TEL AVIV (R) — Israeli Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin on Sunday described Israel as a land without a people because most Jews chose to live outside the Jewish state. "For 2,000 years we were a people without a land," he told the World Zionist Movement, "Since 1948, we have had our own state hut only 25 to 30 per cent of the world's Jews choose to live here." "We have now become a land without a

Saiga official killed

SIDON (R) - Unidentified gunmen killed a pro-Syrian Palestinian official near this South Lebanese port town on Sunday, police said. They said the attackers ambushed the car of Hatem Kaoush, a senior political official of the pro-Syrian Al Saiqa fac-tion, and riddled it with machinegun fire killing him in-

Israeli broadcasters stage strike

TEL AVIV (AP) — Israel's government-owned television and radio stations launched an indefinite hroadcasting strike over the weekend hecause of a wage dispute, while bus drivers mainrained a six-day job action Sunday. The hroadcasting strike started as a hrief job action Thursday when technicians delayed the evening news show "Mabat" by a half-hour. The technicians, who are demanding a six per cent wage increase, then refused to screen other shows

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UAE leadership defuses Sharjah crisis but haggle seen over sharing power

Sheikh Zayed sponsors negotiations between reinstated ruler and his challenging brother

SHARJAH (Agencies) — Sheikh Sultan Ibn towed by the ruling family. Mohammad Al Qassimi, reinstated as ruler of Sharjah, and his brother who tried to depose him attended talks Sunday to try to resolve their differences.

Arah diplomatic sources would instead speak separately to quoted by AP said the meetings Sheikh Zayed and rely on his attended by Sheikh Sultan and the hrother, Sheikh Abdul Aziz Ihn Mohammad Al Qassimi. were expected to turn into a tough haggle for power-sharing.

The talks were being held under the aegis of United Arab Emirates President Sheikh Zayed Ibn Sultan Al Nahavan.

There was no word on whether

Sheikh Zayed and rely on his mcdiation.

Sheikh Sultan was reinstated Saturday by the Supreme Council of the United Arah Emirates. which also named his hrother. National Guards Commander Ahdul Aziz, as crown prince.

The crown prince is next in line of succession in the event the ruler dies, but the title does not of the two hrothers were meeting itself carry any specific powers increasing face-to-face or whether they unless some are deliberately bes-

The council's decision was a compromise that Sheikh Zayed will try to enforce, palace sources said in Al 'Ain.

Al 'Ain is an oasis in the emirate of Abu Dhahi about 160 kilometres southeast of Sharjah. In addition to his post as president of the UAE, Sheikh Zayed is also ruler of Ahu Dhabi.

Meanwhile in Sharjah, national guardsmen ringed government palace and manned sandbagged machine-gun positions in the area

Helicopter gunships hovered over government square, but civilian traffic on the ground was increasing after four days of near

Iraq warns Iran to expect further destructive attacks

BAGHDAD (Agencies) - Iraq warned. Tehran on Sunday that it was preparing to launch further destructive attacks on vital Iranian oil and economic installa-

The air force commander, Air Marshal Hameed Shaaban, told the ruling Baath Party newspaper transigent, rejecting all peaceful Al Thawra that Iran's rulers must cfforts, a decision was taken to expect "further catastrophes in the near future."

"They must remember that the coming hlows will he stronger and with more powerful means and new weapons," he said.

Iraq on Saturday ended a selfimposed moratorium on air raids on Iran's oil export supply line, saying it attacked a tanker in the Gulf and bombed the main Iranian oil terminal of Kharg Island for the first time since January. . Marshal Shaaban said the raids

were delicately timed to surprise the Iranians. The 73,700-deadweight-tonne

tanker Tenacity was hit in Saturday's raid, regional shipping sources quoted by AP and Reuter said. One source said it might have been berthed at Kharg at

Death toll

rises to 17

in Barcelona

carbombing

BARCELONA (AP) — Two people seriously harmed in a car-

bombing at a department store

parking garage died Sunday,

hringing to 17 the number killed in the Basque separatisi ETA's

worst single attack.

A Valle Hehron hospital

spokesman said Felipe Caparros

Ubierma died at midday, fol-

The Basque separatist group

ETA, which means homeland

and liberty in the Basque lan-

guage, set off the carbomb Friday

in an underground garage of the

department store Hipercor,

which is owned by the gian; Span-

ish department store chair El

Hospital c ficials said 22 peo-

ple remained hospitalised Sun-

day, all of them in serious condi-

tion with severe burns. Eleven

others had been treated for

It was the highest death toll of

an ETA action since the group

began its armed struggle for an independent Basque homeland in

The car, packed with 25 kilog-

rammes of explosives, exploded

30 minutes after a bomb threat

had been made by telephone to a

On Sunday, thousands of peo-

plc demonstrated in the Barcelo-

na suburb of San Andres where

northern Spain in 1968.

local newspaper.

smoke inhalation and released.

lowed two hours later by Con-

suelo Ortega.

Corte ingles.

ing Iranian shipping in the Gulf since May 17 when Iraqi missiles hit the U.S. frigate Stark, killing 37 seamen, in what Baghdad said was a case of mistaken identity.

Marshal Shaaban said: "So long as Iran's rulers are still inresume the attacks against all Iranian economic facilities, particularly oil installations."

year in more than I30 raids aimed at denying Tehran vital oil revenue to continue the war. Its last reported raid on the terminal was on Jan. 3.

Shipping sources in the Gulf said only two to four of the 14 tanker herths at Kharg, about 30 kilometres from the Iranian mainland, were operational after last year's ouslaught.

More than 300 vessels have been damaged by either Iraq or Iran since the so-called tanker war crupted three years ago as offshoot of their ground conflict.

Kuwait's ruler Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sahah presided over a

Iraq had refrained from attack- the situation in the Gulf in light of escalating Iranian threats to this country's shipping.

The cahinet session came a day after Iranian Prime Minister Hussein Musavi accused Kuwait of providing "facilities" for Iraq to resume its air strikes on Iranian tanker routes.

"The cahinet of ministers discussed the latest developments in the Arahian Gulf and their negaularly oil installations." tive outcome on both regional and international levels," Minister of State for Cahinet Affairs Rashed Abdul Aziz Al Rashed told reporters after the meeting.

"The discussions covered various aspects of the situation and means of confronting them with a view to realising security and stability in the region," Mr. Rashed said.

Gulf-based shipping executives feared Saturday's Iraqi air attacks meant that Iran was going to resume raids on shipping in the neutral Gulf waters in retaliation. The Iranian attacks, which have been concentrated on Kuwaiti shipping lanes, had ahated when the traqi air force stopped attackcabinet session Sunday to assess ing Iranian oil shipping lanes.

Shevardnadze links summit to missile pact

BELGRADE (Agencics) — Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze has linked a U.S.-Soviet summit to an agreement on nuclear missiles in Europe and reiterated that U.S. missiles in West Germany must be part of any accord.

In an interview that the Yugoslav news agency Tanjug carried Sunday, Mr. Shevardnadze saw positive elements in the recent NATO foreign ministers' deci-

sion made in Reykjavik. But he also noted "a step to the side" from agreements that began to emerge following Soviet leader Mikhail Gorhachev's meeting with U.S. Secretary of State

George Shultz in Moscow. Mr. Shevardnadze criticised what he said was "an attempt to get out of the framework of a possible treaty," and keep in Wesi Germany the Pershing IA missiles "whose nuclear warheads

belong to the United States." "On our side, warheads for this class of missiles will be removed and destroyed, and the same should be done with the American ones," he said.

Dampening earlier expressed optimism, Mr. Shevardnadze reportedly said, "there is still no hasis for definitely speaking about progress at the Geneva negotiations, although a certain move forward has been noted."

At a news conference in Budapest on June 18, he described U.S.-Soviel differences on the missiles as one of the biggest hindrances to an accord scrapping the superpowers' shorter-range intermediate nuclear the Hipercor store is located. forces in Europe.

West Germany has 72 of the aging, shorter-range missiles equipped with nuclear warheads under U.S. control. West Germany has insisted that the Pershing 1AS be exempt from any superpower accord, and Washington has supported that

In the Tanjug interview, Mr. Shevardnadze reaffirmed that the Soviet Union regards West German control of the U.S. warheads as a violation of the nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty.

The Soviet chief diplomat suggested that a meeting between Mr. Gorbachev and U.S. President Ronald Reagan hinges on a superpower agreement on missiles stationed in Europe.

"The logic here must be clear to everyone: if there is vagueness regarding possibilities for com-promise in Geneva, the prospect of a summit looks no less indefinite," Mr. Shevardnadze was

quoted as saying.

After some 10 hours of talks with his Soviet counterpart, Yugoslav Foreign Minister Raif Dizdarevic said Saturday the Sovies Union was prepared to withdraw its nuclear-armed warships from the Mediterranean and to include the region in armscontrol talks with the U.S.

Moscow made a similar offer last year to withdraw Soviet vessels, including any nuclear-armed ones, if the U.S. did the same, hut the offer drew no response from the West.

U.S. conducts nuclear test; Study shows nuclear war more devastating than envisaged, page 8.

Goulding in Tunis after briefing Rifai

TUNIS (Agencies) - U.N. Mr. Rifai and Mr. Masri on the Under-Secretary General Mar- outcome of his talks during his rack Goulding arrived in Tunis on latest Middle East visit which (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat international conference on the Middle East.

Mr. Goulding ended a visit to Cairo earlier in the day and flew 10 Tunis after a brief stop-over in Amman where he was received by Prime Minister Zaid Rifai in a meeting attended by Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri.

The Jordan News Agency, Pct-

Sunday for a meeting with Pales- covered Israel, Syria, Lebanon tine Liheration Organisation and Egypt as well as Jordan where he was received hy His on prospects for convening an .Majesty King Hussein last Wednesday. Mr. Goulding's assistant Jean-

Claude Aime and Jordan's Permanent delegate to the U.N. Abdullah Salah also attended the U.N. envoy's talks with Mr. Rifai on Sunday.

Mr. Goulding's tour was aimed at sounding out the views of the ra, said the U.N. envoy hriefed leaders of the various countries



Prime Minister Zaid Rifai confers with U.N. Under-Secretary General Marrack Goulding during a stop-over the U.N. envoy made in Amman en route to Tunis on Sunday (Petra photo)

in the region on convening the proposed international conference. Jordan and Egypt have called for the conference to be convened under United Nations

auspices with the participation of the five permanent members of the Security Council and all parties involved in the Arah-Israeli

conflict.

Taxiing SAA plane hits stationary R.J jet at Vienna airport; 1 slightly hurt 747, was rolling towards the run- a legal parking position, waiting

By Salameh B. Ne'matt Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — One passenger aboard a Royal Jordanian (RJ) jet was slightly injured when a South African Airlines (SAA) plane smashed into the nose section of a stationary Jordanian airliner near a runway at Vienna's Schwechat Airport on Saturday, an RJ official said Sunday.

Jihad Irsheid, RJ's vice-president for operations, said the passenger, a guest of the Royal Palace on her way to New York, was "slightly bruised" when the SAA plane's wing tip tore a 3-metre-wide gash on the left side of the RJ Boeing 747's first class section.

"Only the lady was hruised," Mr. Irsheid said. "She was taken to hospital for X-rays and found to be alright." Reports from Vienna said the woman only suffered a hematoma on her right upper thigh.

The SAA plane, also a Boeing

Siniora's

cars set afire

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM (Agencies) — Two cars belonging to Palestinian journalist Hanna Siniora, who intends to run for Jerusalem's all-Jewish municipal council, were set on fire Sunday and Mr. Siniora said a Palestinian group was behind the act.

Mr. Siniora, editor of the daily Al Fajr, told Reuters that the Syrian-backed Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) claimed responsibility for the attack.

"It might be because of my proposal to run for the city council," Mr. Siniora said. A slogan daubed on a wall ocar the cars and signed by the PFLP read: "Jerusalem belongs to

Palestine." Mr. Siniora has been harshly criticised by the Palestine Libera-tion Organisation (PLO) and West Bank leaders, who say his proposal to head an Arab list of candidates in the 1988 municipal election recognises Israeli claim

salem_ The 47-year-old editor said the attack would not deter him from running for the city council.

of sovereignty over Arah Jeru-

"I am currently in touch with a number of international law experts ahroad... I am waiting for their opinions as to whether my ideas constitute recognition of Israeli sovereignty." "It is according to their answers

that I will proceed or not—not according to pressure from others," Mr. Siniora said,
Mr. Siniora, who announced his decision to run on the eve of the 20th anniversary of the 1967

war, has said that contesting the Jerusalem elections could influence the Middle East peace process. "Those who have committed this act are cowards, politically

immature people who cannot confront the issues I have raised," Mr. Siniora said Suoday of the pre-dawn vandalism outside his house. Mr. Siniora has predicted that

with 65,000 eligible Arah voters, Jerusalem's Palestinians could capture seven of the 31 council

way for take-off to Zurich en for take-off clearance when the SAA jet made a sharp turn and route to Johannesburg and the RJ jet, on a tegular Amman-New York flight via Vienna, was waiting on the sarmac for take-off to New York at 1547 GMT when the accident occurred.

"We are definitely not at fault," Mr. Irsheid told the Jordan Times. "The RJ plane was in

RJ to sue SAA, Vienna airport AMMAN (J.T.) - The Royal

Jordanian (RJ) airline said Sunday it was suing the South African Airlines (SAA) and Vienna's Schwechat airport for damages and lost revenues after Saturday's incident in which an SAA plane hit a stationary RI jet at the Vienna airport. Jihad Irsheid, RJ's vice-president for operations, said the RJ Boeing 747 was expected to remain in Vienna for at least three weeks undergoing

hit it." He said the SAA pilot caused the accident "hy cutting the corner.' According to a Vienna airport press release carried by international news agencies, there were

232 passengers and a crew on board the RJ plane and 20 passengers and 17 crew members aboard the SAA jet at the time of the accident. The RJ passengers, including

the slightly hruised woman whose nationality was not immediately known, were able to continue their flight to New York aboard a substitute RJ TriStar flown from London. The 20 passengers of the SAA flight to Johannesburg were rerouted.

Mr. Irsheid said Austrian authorities had informally told the captain of the RJ plane that "he was not at fault and bore no

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repairs. Mock scoffs at Israeli criticism of Waldheim visit

strongly rejected Israel's criticism of a planned visit to the Vatican by President Kurt Waldheim and announced a diplomatic protest.

In a television dehate, Mr. Mock said he had instructed Thomas Klestil, his most senior aide, to summon Israeli Charge d'Affaires Gideon Yarden on Monday to tell him "that we don't put up with that."

Dr. Waldheim will he granted an audience by Pope John Paul II next Thursday in what is his first official visit ahroad. The visit has been denonneed by Jewish organisations in many countries.

Mr. Mock termed official Israeli criticism of Dr. Waldheim's meeting with the pontiff 'an unfriendly act." "On the first day (Israel's)

for an ministry said that the visit was an internal affair between Austria and the Vatican," Mr. Mock recalled. "But a day later - whoever may have intervened - the forthcoming visit in Rome was condemned."

Israeli spokesman Ehud Gol said on Thursday: "The Vanican's other people wipe off their

VIENNA (AP) — Austrian Fore-ign Minister Alois Mock Sunday the state of Israel. We wonder what were its motives and we condemn the decision."

Mr. Mock also announced that on Sunday or Monday Amhassador Helmut Tuerk of his ministry's international law bureau will ask Swiss historian Hans Rudolf Kurz to chair an international commission of historians that is to probe Dr. Waldheim's wartime

The other members of the commission have not yet been identi-

fied.
Mr. Mock described international criticism of Dr. Waldheim's Vatican visit an 'immense injustice and arrogance' and an offence against the president and the Austrian people.

He acknowledged that Austria finds itself at present "in a quite difficult situation" internationally, hut said Austria must show self-respect."

"We must get out of this situa-lion again," the minister declared, "hut not at the cost of self-surrender, not at the cost of becoming a vassal state on which

pledge of loyalty and allegiance

Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker

Sharif Zaid

thanks King

and renews

AMMAN (Petra) - Field Marshal Sharif Zaid Ibn Shaker, comn-chief of the Jordanian Armed Forces, Sunday sent a cable to His Majesty King Hussein expressing deep gratitude and appreciation of the King's decision to promote him to the

rank of field marshal. In his message Marshal Sharif Zaid said he was honoured by the promotion and pledged to coniinue 10 serve the Jordanian Armed Forces "which inherited the mission of the Great Arab Revolt and its principles with all determination and faith."

Marshal Sharif Zaid said the teachings of our grandfathers will serve as a guideline for our work and a beacon leading us towards achieving the objectives of the Great Arab Revolt in preserving the Arah Nation's

dignity and freedom." Marshal Sharif Zaid said he was determined to work under the leadership and guidance of the King with renewed efforts and added resolve. He said on this occasion he was honoured to pledge renewed allegiance and loyalty of all members of the Armed Forces to the Hashemite

Last Wednesday, King Hussein conferred on the Armed Forces commander-in-chief the rank of field marshal in appreciation of his long service and his dedication

South Korean ruling party draws up 'democracy' programme to quell unrest

SEOUL (Agencies) - South Korea's ruling party met on Sun-day to decide how much democracy they must offer the country to halt a wave of angry anti-government projects which have brought major clashes daily between citizens and riot police.

The Democratic Justice Party drew up a programme of what it called democratisation reforms which were to be presented to President Chun Doo Hwan on Monday, Seoul Radio said.

It gave no details of what was decided, but it quoted some party officials as saying thet Mr. Chun could help resolve the crisis hy scrapping his April 13 han on all attempts to debate giving South Korea a more democratic voting system until after next year's Olympic Games.

The parliamentary caucus discussions in Seoul were led hy party chairman Roh Tae-Woo, the man Mr. Chun has endorsed as his choice of successor.

The radio said some party members proposed holding a referendum later this year to let the public decide what form of government the country should

Other proposals included ending the two-month house arrest of top dissident Kim Dae-Jung, lifting curbs on a free press, releasing demonstrators arrested in the recent disturbances and stopping human rights violations.

The streets of the capital were relatively calm on Sunday, hut further crowd violence was reported in Pusan, Kwangju and Taegu. Even the honeymoon island of Cheju joined the list, with about 1,000 students and sympathisers staging a peaceful

"march for democracy. In Pusan, police arrested hundreds of protesters and supporters io a lightning operation that marked dramatic changes in tactics against the growing anti-gov-

The protests Sunday were largely peaceful and smaller in scale than in recent days. But police look the offensive, charging the demonstrators, from all

Although government officials have not said when an announcement might be made on possible political concessions, there was speculation that Mr. Chun could act before the arrival on Tnesday of U.S. Assistant Secretary of

State Gaston Sigur. Mr. Sigur, who scheduled the Seoul trip at short notice, has several times this year called for democratic reforms in South Korea and for the country's military to stay out of politics.

U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz, during a week-long visit to Asia that has also taken him to the Philippioes and Singapore, has toughered his language on the South Korean riots almost

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Mahdi warns against strikes if Islamic Laws are changed

KHARTOUM, Sudan (AP) — Prime Minister Sadek Al Mahdi on Sunday warned Muslim fundamentalists against carrying out their threats of demonstrations and strikes if strict Islamic Laws are changed.

ment's policy statement on June 10, proposed exempting non-Muslims from Sharia, a move which could satisfy Christian and animist southern rebels and pave the way for peace talks in the four-year-old rebellion.

The attorney general's office is presently preparing the substitute laws, which also change Islamic Laws concerning the economy. The new laws are expected to be presented to parliament for ratification in less than a month.

Mr. Mahdi's centrist Umma Party holds a majority in parliament with 99 seats, the centrist Democratic Unionist Party holds

By Philip Shehadi

Reuter

BASRA — Barbed wire, sand-

hags and army posts still line the

once elegant river hank prom-

Shops are shuttered and shat-

But the residents are trickling

hack into shell-torn Basra, to

streets and buildings hattered in

one of the fiercest artillery bom-

bardments of the long Gulf war.

Iran launched a major drive towards this southern Iraqi city in

Shells and mortar bombs hailed

down at the rate of up to 1,000 a

day as Iranian troops pushed to-

Iraqi officials estimate the

shelling killed more than 300 civi-

lians. Diplomats in Baghdad say

some 15.000 Iraqi soldiers and

three times as many of their

enemy died in fighting which raged for several weeks, leaving

Iranians still entrenched Sunday

in an area some 12 kilometres

The battlefields are quieter

now, hut Iraqi artillery still

booms in the distance and there

was sporadie Iranian shelling for

three bours earlier this month.

Residents say the last beavy bom-

In large parts of Basra, Iraq's

second city with a population of

one million before the Gulf war

began in 1980, streets and public

buildings are still sandbagged,

homes ahandoned amid the rub-

ble and broken glass.

An Iraqi official said that at the

height of the Iranian drive, at

least a quarter of a million civi-

lians took refuge elsewbere, turn-

ing worst-hit areas near the Shatt

Al Arab waterway into a virtual

ing along the Shatt Al Arah,

confluence of the Tigris and

Euphrates rivers flowing into the

But signs of life are reappear-

no-man's land.

bardment was in mid-May.

tered woodwork scars the facade

of a big hotel.

wards the suburbs.

from the city.

Mr. Mahdi, in his new govern- southern parties 27 seats, Communists three seats and the rest of the 264 seats belong to small

> Mr. Mahdi spoke to reporters after attending members of the constituent assembly or Parliament endorsed his policy statement with a majority of 158 votes

Observers said those who rejected the statement were from the National Islamic Front and the Communist Party. The observers also said they expected Mr. Mahdi will be able to pass his substitute laws through parliament, although with a smaller majority since some members of 63 seats, the fundamentalist his Umma Party and the Demo-National Islamic Front 51 seats, cratic Unionists are strong believ-

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Residents return to war-torn Basra

northern Gulf.

and laid fresh tiles.

"People are coming hack," said hotelier Antoine Marokki,

standing in the ruined hall of his

house in the riverfront Ashaar

district as workers mixed cement

Maroki said a rocket crashed

through the roof of his hallway

only metres from where be was

sleeping on the night of Jan. 9,

when the Iranian cross-border

Like other Basra residents, he

filed for government compensa-

tion and hopes to receive 6,000

dinars (\$19,200) for repairs and for wrecked and stolen property.

workshop repairs refrigerators,

air conditioners and other ap-

pliances damaged in the worst of

the attack. Business is booming,

A tour of the city shows little

reconstruction in progress, but

there are signs that several dozen

houses near the Shatt bave been

In front of the Sheraton Hotel,

closed in January, he the half-

sunken hulks of three tankers.

trapped in the waterway early in

the war, now standing stark

against the backdrop of lush date

Nearby, the owner of Karem's

offensive was launched.

opposition will elect the style of strikes and demonstrations in launching an unconstitutional de-fiance of this government," Mr. Mahdi said.

Without specifically mentioning the National Islamic Front hut in clear reference to its recent threats of strikes and demonstrations if Islamic Laws are changed in any way, Mr. Mahdi warned against "moving the political fight from parliament to the street." He did not say what the gov-

ernment's reaction would be. He said Sudan remained committed to "a middle strata committed to Islam and the Afro-

Mr. Mahdi became prime minister in 1986, one year after a general strike and street demonstrations pushed the military to overthrew then-President Jaafar Numeiri. Mr. Mahdi contends

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The Sberaton had several

direct hits, one of which tore a

gaping hole in a third floor suite.

Another knocked out the rooftop

air conditioning unit. Bits of wood from its delicate balcomes

The lobby of Basra's only re-

maining first-class botel, the Hamdan, is encased in sandbags

and punctured with shrapnel. A

hotel official said it was waiting

for promised government com-

pensation to begin repairs.

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"It will be dangerous if the Numeiri decreed in 1983 deviand needed amendments.

> The 1983 laws also aggravated the four-year-old rebellion in the south. The rebels, a minority of Christians and animists fighting against the Muslim majority in the north, are demanding administrative and economic reforms.

Mr. Mahdi also told reporters that new laws will shortly be enacted to ensure "rationalised" press reports regarding the armed forces to guard against the de-moralisation of the army and unwarranted interference in its

Since the 1985 conp, the Sudanese press has been completely free, reporting on both army and rebel casualties and losses. The press has recently carried reports on changes among senior army posts.

Aziz: Over 1 million dead in Gulf war

CARACAS (R) — Iraqi Foreign Minister Tareq Aziz has said that more than one million soldiers, most of them Iranians, have been killed in the seven-year-old

Gulf war. He told reporters at a news conference on Saturday night there were no exact figures on casualties, but be believed less than one fifth of the soldiers killed in the conflict were Iraqis. Mr. Aziz said the casualty ratio

in combat was between five and ten Iranian soldiers killed for every Iraqi soldier who died. The minister added there were slighly more than 70,000 prisoners of war in the conflict, the majority of them Iraqis held in

Mr. Aziz arrived in Venezuela two days ago as part of a tour of countries belonging to the United Nations Security Council. He is presenting the Arab

League's peace plan, which calls for an immediate cease fire and negotiations leading to a perma-

Kurdish rebels in Turkey kill 31 in raid

ANKARA (R) — Kurdish rebels killed 31 people, including 14 children, in their bloodiest attack in a three-year guerrilla war for autonomy, the semi-official Anatolian Agency reported Sunday.
It said the massacre took place

in the village of Pinarcik near the south eastern Turkish town of Mardin near the Syrian border. It said the insurgents, armed with antomatic weapons, rockets and hand grenades, moved into the village at around 10 p.m. (1900 GMT) Saturday night and used megaphones to order people to a central square.

They then raked the area with antomatic weapons fire and attacked three homes where some of the villagers had taken refuge, the agency said.

It listed the dead, who ranged in age from four to 45 and included the village headman, Izzettin Yavuz. A few were un-

The toll was by far the highest in a single attack since August 1984 when rebels launched a new guerrilla war in their fight for a separate Kurdish state.

More than 250 civilians, 150 members of the security forces and 245 guerrillas have been killed in the war.

Anatolian said the governor of Mardin province, Alaadin Turhan, and the local army brigade commander, Brigadier General Erdinc Aygun, had gone to Pinarcik to investigate the

Security forces launched a maor hunt for the rebels using helicopter troops, special squads trained for the jobs and com-The attack followed a report in

the mass-circulation daily Hurriyet last week that the leader of the rebel Kurdish Workers Party. Abdullah Ocalan, had issued orders from his Damascus beadquarters for a new offensive in Turkev.

This, it said, would be waged by guerrillas who would be based in Turkey rather than by rebel bands crossing from neighbouring

Israeli lieutenant, 5 others charged with torture at Gaza detention camp

army lieutenant, military policemen, and soldiers of the Givati Brigade have been charged with repeated cases of physical assault, verbal humiliation, and other abuses committed during their service at the Gaza detention camp dubbed Ansar II.

An investigation is now underway to probe an apparent cover-up of the affair, The Jerusalem Post has learned. Commander of the Israeli occupation army, Gen. Yitzhak Mordechai, has ordered all those involved hrought to jus-

The six defendants accused of

the allegations. According to the charges, brought before a Southern Command military trihunal last week, soldiers at the camp allegedly

used a 12-year-old detainee as a "football," in a "soccer game" organised by one soldier. In another of the dozen counts hrought against the defendants, a military police sergeant is said to have administered a series of "karate-style" beatings to handcuffed internees clad only in their

underwear. "I'm Bruce Lee!" the

sergeant is alleged to have

shouted as he ran from inmate to

ahusing prisoners have denied all inmate. Another of the defendants, corporal, allegedly grab-bed a 14-year-old boy, choked him, slapped him, and pushed him against the walls of the room. telling other soldiers, "It's nice playing ping-pong with him.

Still other instances of alleged humiliation included demanding that the inmates grant soldiers "donkey rides."

The army lieutenant, who commanded the facility at the time of the alleged incidents, stands accused of not having prevented the reported abuses - The Jerusalem Post:

Congress reversing stand on Gulf plan thing goes through."

WASHINGTON (AP) - Congress appears to be swinging from outright hostility to unenthusiastic support for President Ronald Reagan's plan to provide naval escorts to 11 Kuwaiti oil tankers in the Gulf.

"If the Congress were to reverse him, by cutting off the money or perhaps other courses of action, it would add another negative chapter to U.S. credibility in the Gulf region," said one of Mr. Reagan's key backers,

Republican Sen. John Warner. Aides to four top opposition Democratic lawmakers said sentiment appeared to be shifting toward what one called "the Warner thesis," that Mr. Reagan has made a weak case but that reversal by Congress could further

cripple U.S. foreign policy. "We've got no good options," Democratic representative Les Aspin said at the end of the week.

Arab diplomats, watching the debate closely, said failure to fulfill Mr. Reagan's promise to Kuwait would undercut the American position in the region, which was badly damaged by the Iranian revolution in 1979-80, the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the taking of U.S. hostages in Iran and Lebanon, homb attacks that forced the Marines to withdraw from Beirut and the

secret sale of arms to Iran. The chances that Congress will wind up endorsing Mr. Reagan's plan, or reaching a compromise, were far from clear, Senate majority whip Alan Cranston said through a spokesman. And

Senate Democratic leader Robert Byrd said at the beginning of the week that Mr. Reagan's plan is 'half-baked and poorly developed," and the Senate Republican leader, Robert Dole, said "the administration needs to do a better joh of explaining it."

After a week of explanations, an aide to a Democratic committee chairman said that "opinion has not crystallised." Despite misgivings, "people aren't sure they want to jerk the rug out from under the president."

Capitol Hill opposition to Mr. Reagan's plan was channelled into resolutions that would either bar the reflagging altogether, or invoke the war powers act, which requires congressional approval for putting U.S. forces in a combat area for more than 90 days.

A chief opponent of Mr. Reagan's plan, Senate Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Claiborne Pell postponed until next Thursday a panel vote to bar the reflagging and ask the United Nations to guard the oil lanes.

Mr. Reagan generated little enthusiasm for his warning, saying in a nationally televised speech last Monday night, "that if we don't do the job, the Soviets

But in numerous hearings and meetings and a Pentagon report sent to Capitol Hill, the administration message came through that, in the words of Frank Carlucci, the White House national

Backing away from the deal "would cause us problems" in the Arah World at a time when the United States is working across the board to curb growing Sovier influence in the region, said one White House official, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The United States has been trying for several months to garner Arab support to limit the Soviet role in a proposed United Nations conference on tempering the Arab-Israeli conflict. And administration officials

said they agreed to reflag the Kuwaiti vessels last spring "before all the policy pieces were in place" because the Kuwaitis bad agreed to lease three Soviet tankers. Lawmakers reacted cantiously

to hriefings by CIA and Pentagon officials, who said the danger of. Iranian attacks on U.S. ships in the Gulf were 'low to moderate," in the 20 per cent to 40 per cent range of likelihood. Pentagon officials said that to

reduce the risk, they would boost the U.S. naval force in the region from six to eight ships, and that they were near agreement with Saudi Arabia to expand airborne surveillance toward the mouth of the Gulf, where Iran. may deploy Chinese-made Silkworm anti-ship missiles. Arab nations were watching

closely to judge the U.S. commit-ment in the Middle East in the wake of last week's decision, security adviser, "we cannot made in the face of overwhelming afford to let hostile powers -- congressional opposition, to withan aide to another top Democrate either the Soviets or the Ayatol-draw a proposal to sell Sauli said the process of consultation lah (Ruhollah Khomeini) — gain Arabia 1,600 Mayenek anti-tahk could go on for weeks before this a choke hold in so central a missiles.

Saudi Arabia said to have financed pro-Western causes

In the less damaged old city, NEW YORK (R) — Saudi Ara- rammes. founded in the seventh century, life seems near to normal with a bustling souk still hinting at its early 1970's to movements and Gulf's premier commercial Soldiers on day leave fill the Marxist interests, the New York the New York Times said. Times reported Sunday.

Martyrs' Memorial (Military

Museum): Collection of military memorabilia dating from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9.00 a.m. 4.00 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel. 664240.

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Amman International Church (Inter-denominational): meets at Southern Baptist School in Shmeisani, Tel. 67/534.

Evangelical Lutheran Church, Amman, Arabic Service: Sunday 7:00 p.m.

restaurants, get their leather boots mended and spend their diplomats, intelligence specialists and lawmakers suggest that Suadi money on music cassettes, clothes and fresh fruit jmice. Arabia regularly helped finance The government has launched a U.S. foreign policy, especially in areas where the U.S. executive restoration project in the old city to preserve the yellow brick Ottoman houses with their arched hranch has been unwilling or undoorways and carved wooden ahle to gain congressional support for its goals and prog-

bia, often at the urging of the In the last two decades Saudi governments in dozens of coun- Yemen. Somalia, the Sudan. tries to further Western, anti- Pakistan, Zaire and Nicaragua,

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mutually beneficial relationship. built on an identity of views," the paper quoted a senior administration official as saying.

er, those views do not coincide. The Saudis bave long used their wealth to finance Arab states opposing, including Syria and the Palestine Liberation Organisa-

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> Citing a knowledgeable American source, it said Washington and Riyadh have financed "well in excess" of \$500 million a year. to aid insurgents in Afghanistan.

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TODAY'S EVENTS

An exhibition of paintings by Jany Bourdsis at the Architectura' Gallery, Riyadh Centre, Jabal Amma, (until

* An art exhibition by Omar Bssoul at the Housing Bank Centre's gallery (until July 18).

An exhibition of plastic art by Hiyam Abaza and Huda Qasem at the Royal FRENCH MUSIC

Posters on French song and non-stop video concerts at the French Cultural Centre (until July 1)

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"Children's Heritage and Science Museum" Fun and knowledge for all ages, plus a small planetarium at the Haya Arts Centre. Open all week 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed on Friday.
Folklora Museum: Jewehy and costumes over 100 years old. Also mossics from Madaba and Jerash (4th to 18th centuries). The Roman Theatre Am.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculptures by contemporary islamic artists from most of the Muslim countries and a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists. Munta-zah, Jabal Luweibdeh. Opening hours: 10.00 a.m. - 1.30 p.m. and 3.00 p.m.-6.00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 630128.

Cultural Centre (until June 25).

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centuries). The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

Saudi Arabia's secret \$32 mil-

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Labour federation to discuss recent firings

By Samir Al Hiari Special to the Jordan Times

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AMMAN — The Central Council of the Federation of Jordanian Labour Unions (FJLU) has called for an extraordinary session on July 1 to examine the case of bank employees who have been laid off recently and also to look into the case of teachers dismissed from private schools in

Mr. Sami Hassan Mansour, the federation's president who called for the meeting, said that some of the private schools in Jordan have been dismissing teachers or re-ducing their salaries under the pretext of reducing expenses.

Two of the foreign banks operating in Jordan, the British Bank of the Middle East and the Grindlays Bank Ltd., were earlier reported to have laid off at least 32 of their employees, a move that was deplored by the FJLU.

A FJLU spokesman said that the meeting on Wednesday com-

es at a critical time when all efforts are being made to reduce unemployment in the Kingdom and the FILU was doing its best in this respect. The extraordinary meeting, he said, was set at the request of the General Union of Bank Employees (GUBE) in Jordan.

The summary dismissal of the bank employees was at the centre of a meeting held in Amman last Thursday and attended by the Governor of the Central Bank of Jordan, Mr. Hussein Al Qasem.

The case of the bank employees has already been conveved to Minister of Labour Khaled Al Haj Hassan. The GUBE was reported following up contacts with different sides to solve the problem.

According to Mr. Haidar Rashid, GUBE president, the dismissal of hank employees has created confusion within the financial and banking sector in Jordan, and led to fears that similar lay-offs would be made hy

NEWS IN BRIEF

Dakhqan arrives in Tunis for meeting

TUNIS (Petra) - Minister of Transport Ahmad Dakhqan arrived in Tunis Sunday to take part in a meeting by the executive hureau of the Arah Ministers of Transport Council due to begin on Tuesday. The bureau, which groups the ministers of transport in Tunisia, Jordan, Saudi Arahia, Iraq, and Morocco, will discuss subjects related to a pan-Arab transport strategy and air, land and sea transport issues. Also on the agenda is the subject of measures to be taken to deal with the consequences of Iran's aggression on Iraqi transport operations.

Masri receives envoy's credentials

AMMAN (J.T.) - Foreign Minister Taher AJ Masri Sunday received a copy of the credentials of the newly-appointed Saudi amhassador to Jordan, Mohammad Fahad Al Eisa, Mr. Eisa succeeds Sheikh Ibrahim Al Sultan.

Yarmouk president heads for Mexico

IRBID (J.T.) - Yarmouk University President Mohammad Hamdan Sunday left for Guadalajara City in Mexico to take part in the meetings of the International Association of Universities (IAU) which will open there today. During the week-long meetings, participants will discuss cooperation between the IAU member universities. Established in 1950, the IAU aims to promote practical academic cooperation and to assist university institutions throughout the world, Dr. Hamdan will later visit Tennessee University in the U.S. for talks with its officials regarding implementation of an agreement signed between Yarmouk and Tennessee universities. The two universities are linked by an agreement for cultural cooperation which provides for the exchange of visits by staff members, researchers and students as well as the exchange of publications, studies and research in the fields of sciences, economics, Arabic and Islamio what we are a tyring that only

Higher committee recommends UNESCO-sponsored panel coordinated effort in tourism

AMMAN (Petra) — The higher committee charged with finding means of stimulating tourism in Jordan held its first meeting Sunday under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Zaid Rifai.

The committee discussed means of promoting domestic tourism as well as strategies to attract foreign visitors to the Kingdom. The committee aims to develop a comprehensive and integrated strategy that overcomes obstacles tending to impede tour-ism, and to take organisational measures that can boost the tourism sector in the Kingdom, according to a statement issued

after the meeting. The statement said that the committee underlined the im-

Nations Relief and Work Agency

for Palestine Refugees (UN-

RWA) Jerash school, which will

be huilt with Japanese contribu-

tion of \$500,000, was held Sun-

day, according to a Japanese emhassy press release.

the director of UNRWA in Jor-

dan, Mr. Ele J. Saaf, the ambas-

sador of Japan, Mr. Akira Nakayama, senior UNRWA and

Jordanian government officials

and refugee notables from the

Jerash camp. At the ceremony,

the Japanese amhassador laid the

SALT (Petra) - Arrangements

for hosting pilgrims from Palesti-

nian territory occupied by Israel since 1948 and the Gaza Strip at a

camp in the Jordan Valley were

worked out at a meeting held

here under the chairmanship of

Representatives of the Ministry

of Awgaf and Islamic Affairs

were present at the meeting at

which the decision was taken to

spray insecticides in the pilgrims'

camp at Ghor Nimrein and sur-

rounding areas; and to provide

basic services to the residents of

the camp, according to a state

Governor Mijhem Khreisha.

foundation stone.

The ceremony was attended by

for promoting the tourism sector through coordination among various authorities in the private and public sectors involved in the tourism industry. To achieve this, the statement said, the infrastructure and the basic services for tourism that will help market Jordan's attractions abroad should be laid down and a policy for promoting these endeavours should be adopted.

The comminee discussed projects scheduled to be set up in a number of areas, like huilding hotels, tourist camps and tourist villages, and also modernising tourist resthouses around the

country, the statement said. Those attending the meeting

In Jordan, the government of

Japan has also donated equip-

ment (approximately \$230,000) to UNRWA Wadi Seer Training

Centre last March and coopera-

ment issued after the meeting.

The governor said that the gov-

ernment was keen on providing a

healthy atmosphere for the pil-

grims on their way to Mecca. He

said that on Thursday he will

himself with the arrangemen

being taken to receive the pil-

The Ministry of Awqaf and

areas under occupation will reach

4,100 this year, nearly 2,000 more

The school, expected to be tion through three Japanese ex-

Facilities to host pilgrims

completed in June 1988, will have perts is under way.

to be set up in Salt

Ibn Shaker, the Armed Forces commander-in-chief, ministers of industry, trade and supply, of finance and of culture, tourism. and antiquities and also the president of the Aqaba Region Authority, the executive director of the Royal Jordanian airline, the economic advisor at the Prime Ministry, the director of the Civil Aviation Authority, the director general of the Hotel Training College, the director of the Tourist Investment Department, the president of the Jordan Hotels Association, the president of the Jordan Travel Agents Association and the president of the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Commerce.

New UNRWA school to be from Egypt built with Japanese grant after talks AMMAN (J.T.) — The ground three stories and 14 classrooms, 2 hreaking ceremony of the United administrative rooms, 1 labora-

tory and 1 library accommodating about 1,640 pupils. The contribution for this school is part of Japan's \$9.5 million contribution to UNRWA in 1986 and besides this, the government of Japan has been cooperating with UNRWA hy donating foodstuffs equivalent to \$7.5 million and receiving 15 trainees to Japan

> Mr. Saggaf had said that the committee passed a number of resolutions and recommendations aimed at achieving industrial integration between Jordan and

> Egypt.
> The committee underlined the need for promoting industrial coordination in all fields related to production and for the exchange of data, expertise and information about industrial studies, Mr. Saqqaf said.

inspect the camp and familiarise Islamic Affairs estimates the number of pilgrims from the two motor vehicle industry

Saqqaf returns on industry

AMMAN (Petra) - Under Secretary of the Ministry of Industry and Trade Mohammad Saqqaf returned to Amman Sunday after heading Jordan's side to the joint Jordanian-Egyptian technical committee meetings which were concluded in the Egyptian capital Saturday evening.

The Jordanian delegation grouped representatives of the Ministry of Industry and Trade, the Jordanian Trade Centres Corporation and the Federation of Jordanian Chambers of Com-

The committee, he said, targed the two countries to double efforts for exploiting productive capacities at their disposal to serve as substitutes for imported materials, especially in petrochemicals and chemical industries, fertilisers, construction, manufacturing, railways, electrooics and industries affiliated with the

on illiteracy opens today

Last week, an education spe-

cialist from UNESCO said that

the Arab World, which once rank-

ed second after Africa in the ratio

of illiterates to the population of

the world, has now moved to first

A report to be presented to the

meeting will include proposals

towards decreasing the level of

illiteracy by the year 2,000. UN-

ESCO judges that the most im-

portant cause of illiteracy is the high hirth rate in the Arah World

which now stands at three per

cent a year, and the lack of

facilities to offer education to the

ever-increasing number of

As to the situation in the occu-

Nations General Assembly has

AMMAN (Petra) — A five-day conference by under conference. Dr. Radi Waqfi, secretaries of ministries of education in 18 Arab countries opens in Amman today at the regional offices of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO).

The delegates will review working papers dealing with the renewal and democratisation of the educational process in the Arab World within the context of socio-economic and cultural development, in addition to promoting regional and international cooperation in education. Also to be discussed by the

conference, organised in conjunc-

tion with UNESCO, are the sub-

jects of illiteracy and adult education in the Arab World, organising programmes for observing the international day for illiteracy, in addition to oroblems impeding education at the secondary and technical levels in the light of the results of an international educational conference held last year. In addition, the subject of providing education for the people of Palestine under Israeli occupa tion and the development of science and technology methods in Arah schools will be tackled by the delegates in their meetings,

Ministry of Education on the eve

delegated a researcher to study the problem of illiteracy, and a repon on the situation was expected to be submitted to the United Nations by September. Preparing for national_ according to a statement from the

education conference Speaking on the eve of the

secretary general of the Ministry of Education, said that Jordan was attaching great importance to the meetings which are aimed at promoting education throughout the Arab World.

The conference is being held as Jordan is making preparations for holding a national conference on education in the wake of tours of Jordanian schools made by His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan to pave the way for overhauling the educational system in the Kingdom, Dr. Waqfi said.

The Ministry of Education in Jordan, Dr. Waqfi said, will submit to the meeting its own plans ior combating Israeli practices in the occupied territories aimed at disrupting the Arah educational system through distorting texthooks and curricula and through arbitrary and repressive measures against educational institutions. pied Arab territories, the United teachers and students.

> According to Dr. Waqfi, the meeting will also review recommendations adopted by the Arah ministers of education in Ahu Dhabi in 1977 in order to determine what has been achieved and the problems and difficulties that impede the implementation of these recommendations

Qatari camel adventurers leave Jordan

AQABA (J.T) — Two Qatari to the Nahatean city of Petra and travellers on camel have ended a tour in Jordan and left Agaba heading for Nuweibeh in Sinai at the stan of tour of North African-Arah countries.

The two. Saleh Shammari and Ayed Shammari, arrived in Jordan from Syria on June 1 io the course of their tour of 14 Arah states. The two camel riders vi- · Jordan, sited Amman and its area hefore

a stop in the port city of Aqaha hefore crossing into Sinai hy The two adventurers had emharked on their trip from Mus-

cut. Oman and had visited the

United Arah Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, Saudi Arahia, Kuwait, Iraq and Syria before coming to

In North Africa they will be

heading south on June 9 for visits crossing into Lihya, after Egypt Tunisia, Mauritania, Algeria and

The two Shammaris have planned two more trips, one through Asia and other through Europe, riding their camels most of the

Upon departing from Aqaha, they were seen off by Mr. Ahmad Ragheb. Egypt's consul general

Work begins on medical institute

hreaking ceremony of a new compound that will house a nursing college and a paramedical institute at Zibdeh Farkouh in Irbid took place Sunday under the patronage of Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh.

Dr. Hamzeh laid the foundation stone of the compound which will have a total area of nearly

IRBID (Petra) - The ground 10,000 square metres.

The compound will include a nursing college and paramedical institute which will have an area of 3,772 square metres, and can accommodate 700 male and female trainees, staff quarters of 336 square metres, which accommodates up to 15 teachers and living quarters for the female

trainees (5,867 square metres), to accommodate 360 trainees.

The overall cost of the project due to he completed in 22 months is JD 1.5 milhon, of which JD 100,000 will be spent on the construction work, and JD 400,000 on purchasing equipment and training facilities and furni-

13 Arab states are participating in marine panel

AMMAN (Petra) — The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UN-ESCO) opeoed a five-day meeting io Amman on Sunday for marine research centres in Arab countries to discuss ways of promoting the exploitation of manne wealth and coordinating work among Arah countries in the field of marine science.

Delegates from 13 Arab states taking part in the meeting will be discussing subjects related to marine science research, specially in the Gulf, the Red Sea, the southern areas of the Mediterranean Sea, and the eastern parts of the Atlantic Ocean bordering on the shores of Arab countries.

Also to be discussed is a working paper prepared by UNESCO on the present situation in the field of marine science in Arah countries and the outlook for the

Addressing the opening session, Dr. Othman Mukhtar Aba Yazid, director of the Ammanbased UNESCO's regional office, said that the Arab World is in dire need of the wealth of the seas surrounding it to supply its peo-ples with fish which is rich with profein-

He said that individual marine research centres in the Arab World cannot independently carry out large projects in the search for means of fully exploiting the sea and its wealth.

Taxing SAA plane hits stationary RJ jet

(Continued from page 1) responsibility for the accideot." RI was awaiting the results of an investigation launched into the

accident by Austriao authorities. RI dispatched a team of Boeing experts to Vienna Sunday afternoon to assess the damage sustained by the Jumbo jet and the structural condition of the plane. Insurance experts were assessing the damage and there was no estimate, yet of the coast of the accident but the damage to

both planes was said to be major. Vienna airport spokeswoman Hilde Ehmsen told Reuters the accident was the first of its kind at Schwechat airport, where tarmac space is reportedly constricted by construction work.

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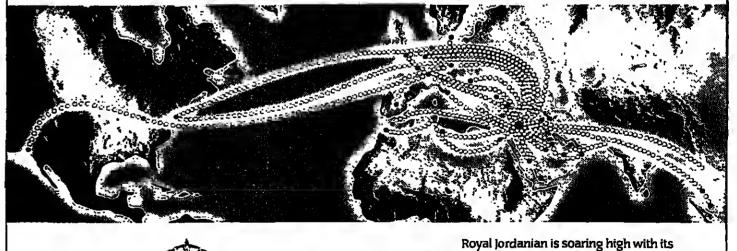
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Summer is here but where is hygiene?

WE are approaching mid-summer and now is the time to enforce measures to insure a summer in our country free of epidemics and diseases normally associated with the season. It is most unfortunate therefore to notice that street vendors on our streets are not observing simple bygienic guide lines to protect our people and our tourist from the afflictions of the summer. Surely, the sight of vendors selling sweets or cakes off their vending carts without the benefit of simple protective covers against flies and dust should disturb us all hy now. We have on our streets untold number of vendors of cold drinks who go about quenching the thirst of our people in crowded streets without observing the simplest methods of cleanliness and the minimum hygienic conditions. It goes without saying that to protect our people and visitors from the recklessness of our vendors is a simple task that calls only for some administrative decisions to make sure that the existing laws and regulations governing health and environment in our country are faithfully applied and enforced. In the same vein, one would think that surveillance of our restaurants should be accentuated during these hot summer days and nights. In fact, every place where our public frequent should become the focus of the attention of our health officials.

On the top of the list of areas which require urgent attention could be our swimming pools where literally thousands of our youngsters go to cool off and pass the summer time with some comfort. We are sure that onr health officials are aware of these issues. Like-wise our municipal authorities, we are certain, are also concerned about such matters. But until we see an end to the obvious violations of the minimum hygienic standards on our streets and public places we shall continue to be concerned and worried. If our people and vicitors ever full victim to some health hazard, the economic costs would also be very high and definitely higher than any economic cost that we will have to incur in enforcing our health measures and regulations. We feel that it is high time that the authorities, whether at the state or municipal level, commenced enforcing the required level of hygiene and cleanliness on food and beverages supplied by street vendors as well as other public places.

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Zionists campaign against Waldheim

ZIONIST circles around the world have begun a new campaign directed against a visit by Austrian President Kurt Waldheim to the Vatican, the first official visit by the Austrian leader outside his country since assuming his post a year ago. The Israelis have succeeded in enlisting support for their campaigns from European and American circles and are continuing their propaganda against Waldheim, levelling allegations and false accusations against him. The campaign originally started before Waldheim was elected as president and now it is continuing to mar the prestige of the president who is known for his support for the right of the Palestinian people in their homeland. In their campaign, the Israelis are employing every available means under their disposal, and at this particular moment they are doing all they can to abort Waldheim's meeting with the Pope. In fact, the Israelis are launching their campaign also against the Vatican for this visit, a move supported by the United States which had banned the president from entering its territory in violation of all international principles and laws. Waldheim will be a welcome guest at the Vatican, and he will visit other countries in the world and these visits will be sufficient replies for the Zionists and their malicious campaigns.

Al Dustour: Standing by Waldheim

AUSTRIA, represented by its President Kuri Waldheim, has voiced its deep appreciation of King Hussein for his continuous efforts to serve the cause of peace and serve his people. Waldheim who met with editors of Jordanian newspapers in Vienna spoke about his earlier meetings with the King and the King's wisdom and endeavours to serve just causes and contribute to the security and peace of the world. Waldheim urged the Arabs to continue their efforts and never to despair from the search for peace. It seems that the continued Israeli campaigns against Waldheim and the Vatican bave not discouraged the man from pursuing his present position, and his efforts to belp bring about a genuine peace in our region. We welcome Dr. Waldheim's visit to Jordan and we support the Vatican's stand which does not succumh to blackmail. We hope that Waldheim who starts his visit to Jordan on July 1 will be offered continued Arab support and help to enable him thwart Zionism's malicious campaigns and conspiracies.

Sawt Al Shaab: U.N. faces Israeli refusal

A CURRENT visit to the Middle East by U.N. deputy secretary general Marrack Goulding represents one of the most difficult missions for the United Nations organisation which is trying to establish peace in this region. This is because the Israelis are making it difficult for Goulding and the United Nations to go ahead with plans for such peace, and doing all they can to impede serious efforts for an end to the Arab-Israeli conflict. Goulding is in the region to enlist all support for peace based on justice, one that would usher in a new era of security and stability in the Middle East. The United Nations and its secretary general are reviving efforts at present for convening an international peace conference, and Goulding is in the Middle East to enlist all possible support for the conference. The U.N. envoy has already won support from the Arah countries which are keen on regaining their rights and attaining peace in their region. The U.N. organisation is now facing a test of ordeal in its endeavours to achieve peace, and to attain this objective there should first be an end to the Arab-Israeli confuct.

Contemporary problems require frank dialogue

MY neighbourhood grocer tells me that in the old days he was averaging over 400 dinars a day in sales and now he barely grosses 40 a day. One bears similar remarks from practically everybody engaged in a trade or profession or services. Even medical doctors, pharmacists and hakers are joining the bandwagon of complainers about our state of economy. Surely one can sympathise with people who refrain from frequenting lavish restaurants or nightchibs or extravagant clothing stores in times of economic hardships, but one is at a loss to find an explanation for staying away from physicians or pharmacists or dentists even in a deep economic recession as the one which is inflicted on us. Man has never been known to be money conscious when it comes to efforts to prolong his longevity or save his life, yet the remarks one hears nowadays from our physicians and dentists seem to suggest that our people are doing just that in these dark economic days. Even allowing for cases of exaggerations in describing our bread and butter issues these days, still the overall situation requires soul searching by the governed who appear to be overpessimistic about their lot, and by the governors who are the guardian of our present and custodian of our

I do not have to be a theoretician in the science of economics or in the socio-political fields to observe the obvious and state that our general economic malaise including its recessionary and unemployment manifestations are due in great part to the general political climate in the region in which we happen to live. Certainly there are ample monetary and pure economic causes for our material predicaments hut I suspect that the general sense of political and military insecurities that permeate our region due to the Gulf war between Iran and Iraq and the lack of a clear vision as to the future of the occupied territories as well as in Lebanon itself have all cast dark clouds over the region as a whole and contributed to the general gloom and despair which infiltrated into our pysche at all levels. This is not to mention the other negative factors such as radicalism, extremism and religious and ethnic intolerances which have crept into our midst either because we were slow in the formation of appropriate institutions or in the adaptation of existing institutions to cope with new and emerging conflicts and challenges. In the face of the multitude of external and internal conflicts and challenges which are confronting us, we seem to be either powerless or impotent or lacking in vision in improvising new concepts and approaches to redress them. Thus old problems are left to simmer and new ones are left to brew because of our determination to cling to old and obsolete ways to deal with them. Given the longevity of our crises both domestic external, and the prognosis for more volcanic eruptions in our region, capital investment became all the more "coward". It is therefore incumbent on us governed and governors to adopt confidence-building measures which could

By Dr. Waleed Sadi recreate coherence into our lives and tell us where we are heading and what we are aspiring for. The oscillation between euphonia and pessimism and the lack of clarity in our policies are all strains on our pockets and contribute to our fears and anxieties to the extent that hoarding our monies becomes a priority item on our individual and collective agenda. To put it more bluntly, there is not enough Musaraha, frankness, in the dialogue ensuing between and among ourselves whether on the level of governor and governed or on the level of people to people in their factional or even religious

To exacerbate the general situation even more, we appear to continue to articulate and adopt economic policies without taking fully the realities mentioned above into consideration. It strikes me that our economic planning is pursued as if we live in a political vacuum and crisis-free environment. To illustrate my point, I ouly need to refer to the decision to lower interest rates on term deposits in our national banks. We all know now that such a step, which is inberently sound under normal circumstances, did not rekindle or reinvigorate our national economy as anticipated but rather contributed to some outflow of capital from our country into the coffers of other foreign banks. The fault in this context falls again on governed and governor alike. Of course we can always apply a tight lid on currency transfers from Jordan, hut if we do that we would also change the nature of our country and transform our economy from a relatively free and not overly regulated into a closed society and an overty regulated economy. In such a process we would undermine the redeeming difference between "as" and the others and render our country indistinguishable from the "others" in the developing Third World.

Another case in point is the decision to hike up the prices on commodities and the augmentation of custom duties on imports at a time when we are in a deep recession and suffering from unemployment. One can sympathise with any decision to raise prices of commodities even in a recessionary situation if such raises are confined to luxury goods and not to hread and butter commodities. But we should be very careful in extending the scope of such a policy to necessary items especially the kind which our unemployed and poor have to purchase to survive. Thus far there are no indications that price rises are intended eventually to all goods and commodities and there is comfort in this which we all can feel and make us sigh with relief. But we should caution ourselves against the extension of this line of policy on a across-the-board

The matter of raising the tariffs duties on our imports is a subject which one hopes will be approached with maximum care and attention as such levies can cut both ways. Traditionally countries have resorted to tariffs on imports to protect their domestic

industries and fill their coffers with added revenues. In this context, there are several schools and various experiments from which we can benefit without having to incur the expenses and dangers associated with conducting our own experimentation. I can refer to one experiment with which I became familiar while serving as a diplomat in Turkey. Although Turkey has a broader base of industrialisation and its industrial production encompasses many of Turkey's needs, Turkey opted for an open door policy to imports and reversed its traditional policy against imports and its decadeslong policy of self-reliance in every conceiveable industrial production. Turkey adopted this seemingly strange and complete turnabout in its economic policy even though there was a serious unemployment crisis in their midst and elements of a recessionary economy were here and there and everywhere. When asked why the Government of Turgot Ozal was opting for this novel economic policy and seemed to forsake Turkey's relatively infant industries which needed above all protection and nurturing, the answer of Mr. Ozal was something like the following: We need in Turkey to allow imports in order to provide competition for our domestic production with a view to enhance the quality and price-competitiveness of our locally manufactured products under the strain of competition. In other words, what Mr. Ozal was suggesting was that local industries should not be protected at all costs because in doing so neither their quality nor their prices will ever become competitive. Sure enough, the markets of Turkey became flooded with imported goods albeit subjected to various levels of custom duties depending on the degree of their necessities; and at the same time one readily noticed first an amelioration in th quality of Turkish goods which were able in due course to withstand the competition of foreign

The moral of this Turkish story is that in Jordan where we have little industrial production still, putting high levies on imports of goods not produced locally can only add injury to injury as far as our common man on the street is concerned. As for locally produced commodities, we should be careful as not to be over protective lest the quality and price-competitiveness of our locallymanufactured goods become doomed forever to inferiority and

It is beyond the scope of this writing to go through all aspects of our economic planning and policies to redress our confirmed recession and unemployment. Suffice it to say once again that we need confidence-huilding measures both political and economic. To begin this long and tortuous road of confidence-building, we certainly need to learn straight talk and clarity of vision. Thank-God we enjoy domestic political stability and sound political infra-structure. Our region, however, is volatile and prone to volcanic eruptions. We cannot do much for our region but we can do a lot more internally.

The frozen siege of Shatila

By Zahra Al Bahr

SHATTLA lies in ruins, exactly as it was oo 6 April when a food convoy finally got in. UNRWA has employed youths to clear the main alleys of rubble; a few repairs have been carried out, here a roof, there a pipe; shops are slowly replenishing their stocks. But such signs of normalisation are minimal, a reflection of a tangle of unresolved issues, hetween Palestinians and Lebanese, between the PLO and Damascus. While the mood in the camp is one of cautious optimism -Amal is no longer seen as a serious threat — the danger of internal splits still lurks in spite of the Algiers PNC; and the pressures towards migration generated hy insecurity and unemployment are feared by some as much as

At the only permitted entry to the camp, on Sahra Street, the road is cordoned off hy metal railings, with a Syrian soldier controlling the small gap through which everyone must pass. Only metres away Amal's main local office remains open and its men in civilian clothes watch all who enter or leave the camp. Beyond the roadblock, crowds of Shatila men idle among the ruins; they are forbidden to leave the camp. Nor is any adult male permitted to enter. Though a choker on normalisation, the Syrian decree has reduced the danger of Amal attacks on Palestinians outside the camp.

Another visible sign that the iege is only frozen are the Sixth Brigade sentries, still posted around the camp. Further off. Amal sniper/observation posts remain manned. The only way to reach the inner camp is through smaller alleys of new routes cut through house walls. Though most of the trenches that were the keypoint of Shatila's defensive system have been loosely filled in, the shelters dug under the hases during the siege are still

there. "There is the route where they carried the wounded", says a woman whose devastated home stands next to one of the bases. She points to a path leading up from a damp-looking cave where bits of torn mattress and planks sull lie on the ground. Situated at the southwest corner of the camp, this quarter is one of the hardest hit. House repairs aren't even on the agenda, partly hecause vehicles cannot enter the camp, but more hasically because the decision to rebuild is a political one, an issue linked to the villages east of Sidon, the Arafat come-back, the politicians' status in Lebanon,

and Syria's Lehanon policies. On the periphery of the camp destruction is almost total. Further in, most floors above ground level had been blasted away to give the attackers an unobstructed aim, but ground floors are still largely habitable. Some families whose bomes bave been destroyed, and who can afford to rent outside, have left the camp, especially if they have children in school or university. Families who can't afford the high rents and key money being demanded even for the tin huts near Cola Bridge are camping out in the

roof and fix a door. Two of Shatila's three schools have been reduced to rubble-filled ground floors; the third is being used as a hase by the Syrians.

Even for those whose homes are habitable, reminders of siege conditions remain. Electricity has not been restored - repairing the network would require maintenance teams and vehicles to enter the camp. Water is more plentiful and clear, but still has to he fetched from street taps. Shops have been slow to restock because all supplies must be carriedin on foot by women, who shop not only for daily food, but also to replace worn-out clothing, and stock up for possible further siege. It is womeo who have portered in everything oceded hy public institutions, from men's boots, to medical supplies and uid gas containers.

The storeroom of the Red crescent hospital is stacked with foodstuffs and cleaning materials. Rihah proudly points to a set of large red plastic hins holding grains, flour, preserved meat. All this she has carried in, along with other PRCS workers. Beit Atfal Al Sumud has a room piled high with hags; each marked with a family's name, filled with clothes and shoes for camp children: All hrought in hy women. Um Ali has been to Corniche Al Mazraa (five kilometres there and back, fasting) to huy shoes for one of her sons; they don't fit, and she has to repeat the walk next day.

With Syrian units posted so close to the camp, Amal mibita cannot v at their frustration as they did after earlier ceasefires by lobbing explosives in at night. But they still control the long

stretch of road that the women crowd of Shatila people watch the and girls from the camp have to take to reach Sabra vegetable market, school, and jobs. Here there have been daily incideots, ranging from insults, to hrandishing of arms, even to kidnappings. The news that the Syrians have established a new post near Gaza Hospital, where several kidnap attempts have occurred, is greeted with relief. The move was made sooo after a Red Crescent worker, Nawal Nunu, was Frabbed by militiamen on 2 May. Many camp mothers have kept. their children out of school forfear of trouble on this road, or that they will be unable to get hack if fighting resumes.

On 12 May, soon after midday, the main alley traversing Shatila from east to west is suddenly filled with people running. "Yis-tanfaru!" (they are mobilising!") Who? Where? Why? No one knows; there isn't time for explanations. The rush is to get home, or — for the many people visiting the camp — to get out before fighting erupts. Out on the main street, within sight of the Syrian checkpoint, women de-hate, each obliged to make a quick, agonising decision. Um Abdallah, who is living outside the camp, has two school-age children who will soon reach home; she must get hack to let them in. She decides to make a dash for it. Other mothers have children who will soon be returning to the camp from schools in Sahra. They wait anxiously.

Beyond the checkpoint the street is full of armed men - it's hard to distinguish Amal from the Syrians. Women can be seen running up towards the market. others down towards the camp. A scene from this side of the barrier, cheering as a lorry load of Syrians appears, chasing Amal into the side streets. It could be a football match. But inside the camp the youths have been called to action stations. "Back to the harricades!", shouts a passing youth. The crowd grins. Now women and schoolgirls

begin to arrive, recounting their experience as they ran the Amal muntlet: Kalashnikovs minted at. them in the market; a tank mounted with a machine-gun following ibehind; indecision whether to stay outside or make a run for it. Snha, a schoolgirl, coming down alone, was too terrified to move until a oeighbour took her hand; she arrives pale and trembling. But for some this is an opportunity to show their cool. Iman decides to go out "as a trial, adding to the kudos she won last week when an Amal militiaman put his pistol to her head in Sabra, and she didn't The cause of the hattle alert finally becomes clear when five

civilian cars try to leave the camp. Two days ago, they brought in some top Fatah dissidents. Now they want to leave, but local Amal leaders have sworn to fire at them if they do. A few hours later, after "talks", Amal's opposition is swept aside and they leave without a shot being fired. The incident illustrates the current strain in relations between the Syrians and their closest Lehanese ally. One can understand why some Palestinians are taking bets that the two will soon be fighting. But the bet-takers are not among the politicised - Middle East International, London.

Refugees abandon the camp The siege of Shatila was lifted that can move more freely.

in April, but the camp is slowly bleeding to death. Julie Flini reports.

LATE last month, a young Palestinian couple in Shatila were married. The venue - a Syrian army checkpoint on the edge of the camp.

Although the siege of

Beirut's camps was proclaimed "lifted" early in April, the roads out of the camps are, in reality, open only to women and children. Shi'ite militiamen still encircle the camps, at an increasingly indiscreet re-move, and few Palestinian men are able to leave in safety. No men at all are allowed in - not even a sheikh, summoned to perform a religious ceremony.

In Shatila, says Dr. Cris Giannon, the Canadian surgeon whose voice is to Shatila what Dr. Pauline Cutting's was to Bourj Al Barajneh, "the situation is catastrophic."

Despite the end of the fighting, morale is very low. "There is no electricity, or regular water supply," says Dr. Giannou.
"The major artesian well pump has blown out. Sewers are overflowing. We are eating our fill of disgust and frustration. Even a prisoner knows the length of his sentence. But our sentence has no end."

Dr. Giannou himself has not been able to leave Shatila for almost two years. Once home for some 12,000 Palestinians. the camp now has a population of less than I.000.

People are trying to get out by any means whatever, which include deserting the PLO ehairman Yasser Arafat's Fatch organisation in favour of anti-Arafat, pro-Syrian groups

Those who have already turned their backs on Shatila include its military leader, the head of the "popular commit-tee" that runs the camp, and 20 of Dr. Giannon's medical team. At this rate, he says, there will soon be no reason for him to stay - Shatila, no longer under attack, will have bled to death.

The rump of the camp's leadership is doing what it can to stop the haemorrhage, to tempt deserters back - back to a life which is composed, almost en-tirely, of sitting, eating, and for-air increasing number, of gambling and shoking hashist. A clubbonse is currently

being patched together, linked to the hospital generator, and will provide television, video. table-tennis and chess. Bricks from destroyed buildings are being gathered and stacked in shell boles. A nurse with a hypoderunic burks in an open hallway and administers typhoid fever shots to everyone who passes. Kitchen sets, blankets and mattresses are heing distributed free of

charge.
The handful clinging to this wreckage is doing its best to make the place liveable. Over a barricade and down by a shelihole where water has collected. a young man has cultivated a few green plants. All along what once was the main road, men shaded by half-collapsed ceilings sit on mattresses and, with nothing else to do, invite passers-by to drink coffee.

There are no schools, no shops, no amusements, no greenery. And there are, without a doubt, more rats now than refugees - The Guar-

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Spanish animal lovers wage uphill war on bullfighting

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By François Raitberger

MADRID - A small but fervent band of Spanish animal lovers has declared war on hullfighting, infuriating fans of the spectacle by branding it a national shame.

We have taken a lot of abuse. But many people are on our side and tell us: It was high time," Consuelo Polo, head of the Association for the Defence of Animal Rights (ADDA), told Reuters.

Seeking foreign support, ADDA has sent to all deputies in the European Parliament members of which are elected by European Community countries - a document graphically depicting the suffering of a bull in the ring and calling its will to fight a

"In reality, the buil galloping into the ring is a terrified animal desperately looking for the exit,"

At home, ADDA and other small animal rights groups are confronting powerful lobbies. Bullfighting is the second most popular public entertainment after soccer in Spain. It arouses passion, draws millions of spectators and provides a livelihood for thousands of people from toreros to breeders.

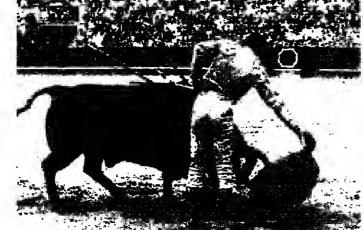
Polo was among a dozen protesters who chained themselves to the gates of Madrid's hullring recently to try to keep them shut to the Saturday afternoon crowd.

Mocking arguments that bullfighting, a centuries-old show, is deeply ingrained in Spanish culture, they chanted it was "torture, neither art nor culture."

Insults flew and hullfighting fans closed in threateningly. A frightened protester broke down in tears before police stepped in to prevent scuffles and cut off the

Some 20 million people, including King Juan Carlos, "go to the hulls" every year in this country of 38 million. Fans say numbers are growing, cutting across age groups and political opinions. But others caution that figures are deceptive.

Bear in mind that lots of people attend many fights on season tickets and appear as



many times in statistics," said Carlos Briones, in charge of bullfight statistics at the interior

"Bullfighting is not booming, far from it. And youths faced with a wide range of modern entertainment tend to turn away from it," he said.

He said that while seats were

sold out for major festivals in big cities like Madrid, Seville and

Surveys on the popularity of bullfighting show surprisingly di-vided opinions on what is widely seen abroad as a symbol of Spain. According to the newspaper

Ya, 50 per cent of Spaniards have

Valencia, rings often remained

half empty for minor fights.

ADDA complained that its views got little publicity in Spanish media, while bullfights were reported at length and often

no interest in hullfighting. Only

18 per cent express keen interest.

vears old.

and most of them are over 40

broadcast live on television. "It is the law of silence," they

wrote to the European Parliament where some British deputies tahled a proposal to ban hullfights in France and Spain.

Yet, ADDA is acquiring a higher profile and Polo last month aired the group's views in television debate.

The group wants to create bullfight-free areas in regions, like northern Asturias, where bullfighting lacks deep roots. It calls for strict enforcement of a ban on the admission in rings of youths under 14 and is studying possible psychological damage to children from televised bullfights.

hullfight have reacted with scepticism or outright hostility to pressure from abroad. "This is our problem, and no

Fans and professionals of the

foreigner is going to fix it." Briones said. American Bill Lyon, a respected hullfight critic, believed foreign interference would hurt Spanish pride and he counterproductive for hullfight opponents.

The powerful lobby of breeders, who sell some 14,000 bulls a year, said hanning bullfights would be an attack on Spanish culture, cause the short-term extinction of the comhat bull and the loss of many jobs.

An assembly of anti-hullfight campaigners gathered only 70 people near Madrid, and most experts dismiss the movement as insignificant. "It has no future," Briones said.

But campaigners are decided to soldier on against all odds, and despite threats.

The Alternative for Animal Liberation, which advocates the outright abolition of bullfights, last year received a mailed parcel containing two dead birds and an anonymous letter which said: 'We shall kill more hostages unless your group dissolves.7

Randa Habibis

Leading the way

A large hotel in Jordan, a leading tourist agency, and two foreign airlines have started a major tourism-promotion programme. Their aim is to put Jordan back un the map of the world's travel market and also to present the country as an attractive conference

Bearing in mind the importance of the tourism industry in today's world, such a project is a highly positive step towards the revitalisation of our stagnant tourism industry. The group is planning to exploit Jordan's untapped resources. They intend to transform each tourist's vacation to Jordan into a "unique" one by exploiting the different excitements that this country, with its history, its desert and all its archaeological sites, can offer.

I was stunned, however, by the absence of both the Ministry of Tourism and our national airline from such an ambitious drive. One would imagine that such a programme, aiming at promoting Jordan and shedding light on its touristic resources, would involve those two leading bodies. The Ministry of Tourism should be the one to encourage initiatives such as this one taken by the private sector. The ministry should encourage such "unconventional" ideas and give the initiators all the belp that the ministry, with its long experience in the field of tourism, can offer.

Our tourism should not only mean a visit to Petra, Jerash or the Dead Sea. It is time that Ajloun, Wadi Mujib, Kerak, Wadi Rum, the east desert, and many other places take their place in our touristic maps. Tourists, specially those who are regular travellers, are looking for something different, and Jordan is most certainly a different place. It is high time that our tourism industry gets out of its inertia and becomes a daring and aggressive one in order to be able to compete in the world market.

Acupuncture as a child-birth pain killer

By Vera Zylka

ACUPUNCTURE is recommended by a growing number of gynaecologists and ohstetricians in the Federal Republic of Germany as a pain-killer during confinement - and more and more pregnant women are trying it. Inserting needles in a handful

of the 361 acupuncture points in the hody, says Gahriel Stux, head of the German Acupuncture Society, Düsseldorf, can reduce the time of delivery by up to half. The points that kill the pain

and cut the time of labour are on the head and hands and the inside of one thigh. Needles are inserted as soon as labour starts and kept in position until childhirth is over.

The effect of acupuncture can be enhanced by attaching the needles to a low-voltage electrical stimulation device. Acupuncture treatment has

been scientifically proved to kill pain. The endorphine count, or concentration of the hody's own opiates, proves the point.

This pain-killer effect is not the able in Western coalitions. only feature that makes acupunc-

ture an ideal obstetric technique. Dr. Stux says its relaxing and reassuring influence on the patient's mind hrings about a crucial improvement in the course of childhirth.

Learning acupuncture techniques is easier said than done for German doctors: It has yet to be acknowledged as a treatment by the General Medical Council.

So doctors have to rely on their own initiative and on the courses offered by five acupuncture societies in various parts of the country.

All five are run by conventional doctors and not by non-medical practitioners. All offer, on a selfhelp basis, a wide range of courses in the traditional Chinese technique.

Courses are particularly well attended in Düsseldorf.

"Doctors, medical condenta and midwives need to be given first-rate training," Dr. Stux says, "if we are to ensure that acupuncture is not just regarded as an exotic treatment that is inapplic-- Die Welt, Bonn.

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U.S. controllers

By Laura Parker

OKLAHOMA CITY — The Air Traffic Control Academy, where the country's air traffic controllers are trained, occupies a corner of a sprawling complex on the Oklahoma range, far from the din of Washington's congressional hearing rooms.

Since 1981, when 11,400 of the country's air traffic controllers were fired by President Ronald Reagan for striking illegally, the Federal Aviation Administration has been screening about 3,000 new controllers at the academy every year.

The academy is only the first hurdle in an education that takes three years to complete. This spring's "graduates" won't be fully trained until 1990. The trouble

is, they are needed today. The air traffic control system. born in 1936, is still struggling to

recover from the strike. The showdown in 1981 could not have come at a worse time. The airlines, newly deregulated three years earlier, were just heginning to expand. Now, six years after the strike, there are fewer controllers with less experience handling more traffic. Last year, controllers handled 6.4 million flights - a million more than in 1980, the year before the strike.

There is a tendency for the FAA to want people to think they have rebuilt the system," said Jim Burnett, chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board.

"It is not rebuilt yet."

Crisis grows among per cent over 1985, and controllers still working overtime, the

signs of stress are in full bloom. Last month the National Ttansportation Safety Board - an independent federal agency that acts as a safety watchdog over the transportation industry -

warned that the air traffic control system was heing stretched too thin. The five-member board said that the safety is compromised to such a degree that FAA should reduce the number of commercial flights in overcrowded airports during the peak summer travel

As evidence, the board cited a rise in errors made by controllers and the number of reports of near collisions, both on the ground and on runways. Mr. Burnett said that controllers, in some cases, are being asked to direct more airplanes than they can handle.

"The FAA is trying to run the system up to the red line," Mr. Burnett told a Senate hearing in late May. "We don't need to play a game of chicken. We need to run the system on cold instead of hot. We need to build in a margin of safety.'

The FAA rejected the safety board's recommendations, and with them, the notion that the safety of the air travel is somehow eroding.

The FAA chief, Donald D. Engen. contends that airline travel today is safer than at any time in the history of aviation. The FAA further argues that it

We will not allow the situation to become critical," said Mr.

Against that backdrop, the debate between Congress and the FAA over the number of controllers needed rages on. Lately, it

has become so convoluted that it is difficult to determine which set of statistics most resembles the reality in the field. Transportation Secretary Eli-

zabeth Hanford Dole says the ever-increasing number is evi-dence that the rehulding of the system is "practically complete." But Representative Norman Y. Mineta, the California Democrat

who chairs the House Public Works aviation subcommittee, complains that the number of fully-trained controllers has actually gone down because retirements are out-pacing the training of new recruits. And he says the FAA is inflating its numhers by including the clerks in its

In 1981, at the time of the strike, there were 16,500 air traffic controllers around the country. Today, there are about, 15,100, including about 2,474 trainees and 1,460 air traffic clerks, who do clerical work and

do not control airplanes. To add to the dilemma, senior

flights taking off and landing at crowded airports — a practice that accounts for the hulk of the retirement this year.

"It's the experience level we're worried about," said Vic De-Paula, a supervisor at the Washington Air Traffic Route Control Centre. "We're heading into thunderstorm season.

To further complicate the problem, training lags in some centres because controllers who are supposed to be teaching the new trainees are too busy directing airplanes.
On June 3, Mrs. Dole

announced plans to hire 955 new controllers in 1988, and the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee has called for hiring 1,000 more controllers next year.

Mr. Burnett says that the sudden hiring of more controllers would not solve the immediate crisis this summer because the training takes too long.

He acknowledges that controller errors are usually made by experienced controllers, and that each radar scope is manned, and says the safety board is trying to portray a larger picture — one of a system that is overtaxed because certain areas around crowded airports become oversaturated with more airplanes than an individual controller can handle.

Because training takes so long, controllers are retiring at a rate of there has been a move to rehire about 500 a year, and at the air the fired controllers, on the



Students at the air traffic school in Oklahoma City learn spatial reasoning.

quickly retrained. Legislation to rehire the controllers was introduced last year but failed.

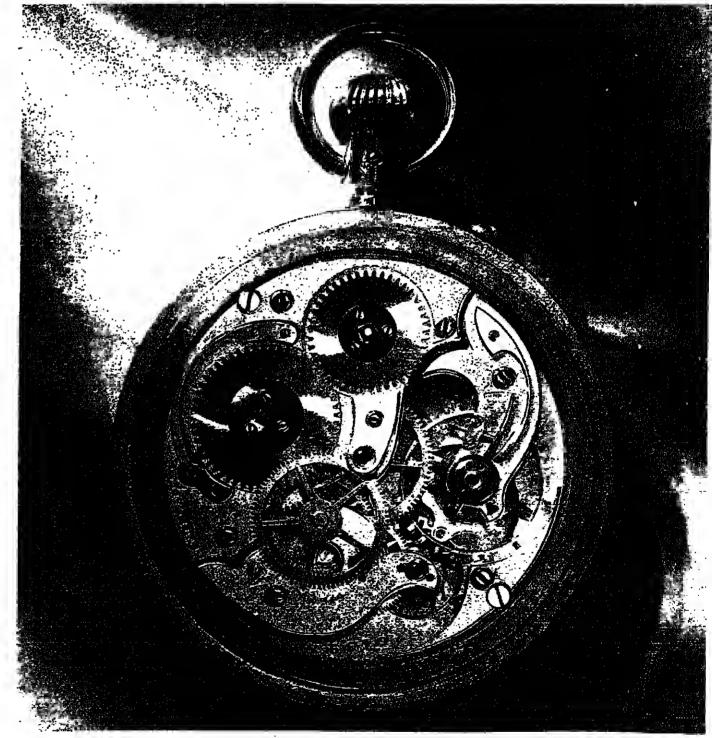
Not only is the administration opposed, but the FAA argues that such a move would only exacerbate morale problems among the controllers who feel they made fundamental choice when they walked across the picket lines and went back to work in 1981. Controllers themselves hold mixed views. In a survey a year ago, a majority said they didn't want the fired control-

lers back.

Mr. Burnett opposed rehiring the controllers because he says the FAA may be tempted to cut

short the retraining. The drive has begun again this year, and this time, with a Democratic-controlled Congress and a perception — no matter how exaggerated - that airline travel is disintegrating into chaos, the proposal will figure as a major hargaining tool in any debate over controller hiring - International Herald Trihune.

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Marilyn Monroe memorabilia takes over Manhattan storefront

NEW YORK — Ever since Bernard Wolinsky, as an impressionable 13-year-old, gazed raptly at Marilyn Monroe in the film "Niagara" the blonde sex symbol has been someone special in his

So special, in fact that for the seventh year running he is holding a sale in Monroe's honour, cramming his Manhattan storefront with everything from posters to puzzles to paper weights with the actress's like-

Wolinsky claims that his collection of "monroehilia" - accumu-. lated over the past 25 years - is the largest ever put up for public

"I get the stuff from everywhere, through mail order houses, from people who bring things into the store," Wolinsky told Reuters. "I go to flea markets, rummage sales, wherever I think I might find things pertain-

ing to Marilyn."
"But Marilyn is not easy to find. She's very sought after." he

When Marilyn died in 1962, apparently of a drug overdose, Wolinsky began in earnest to collect items and has put it all up for sale, photographing much of it heforehand. The window of his 20th century

antiques and gallery resembles an altar to the late film star, adorned with rare books and magazines, calendars, clocks and stand-ups of perhaps the most easily recognisable image of Monroe, captured by dozens of photographers in New York during the filming of "The Seven-year-ltch": Monroe smiling enigmatically as her skirt

is blown upwards hy a passing suhway train.

Inside, a thermometer embossed with Monroe's image and the. title of one of her best-known movies, "Some Like it Hot". hangs on the wall alongside posters of the actress. Tapes of rare interviews, re-

cords, post cards, T-shirts, playing cards, buttons, mugs, beach hlankets and dolls dressed in her various screen role outfits fill the shelves of the store on ninth avenue in Manhattan's Chelsea neighbourhood. Wolinsky has compiled a 30-

page catalogue containing all of the "monroebilia" he has for sale and has made a special cassette containing all of the songs the film star ever recorded. One of the most popular items

is the 1954 calendar for which Monroe posed nude against a red velvet backdrop. Wolinsky noted the actress received only \$50 for the job, which she needed to make a car payment.
The most unusual items of

'monroebilia" Wolinsky has encountered in his years of collecting include a Marilyn Monroe snow shaker made in West Germany, and a nude rubber doll of Marilyn with arms that move. He has also sold a brass key engraved "20th Century Fox,

dressing room 5. Marilyn Monroe. His customers come from as far away as London and run the

entire gamut, including a 17-yearold from Arizona who looks strikingly like Monroe. Certainly there are a lot of men, young women and children

who find her very endearing," he said. "Marilyn had a certain aura. Children seem to sense she would have been nice to them.

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For Wolinsky, "Niagara" was the start of his obsession. "When

I saw her rear end wiggling with the thunder of the Niagara falls behind, I became an instant fan." Wolinsky said his fascination with Marilyn lies in her childlike

woman," Wolinsky said. Seven years ago, he started a sale which runs from the actress's

vulnerability and innocence combined with her overt sexuality. "There was a sweetness about her that made you want to protect her, while she was so voluptuous

you wanted to go to bed with her. She was such an exciting

birthday on June 1 nntil August 5, the day she died. This year will mark the 25th anniversary of her death.

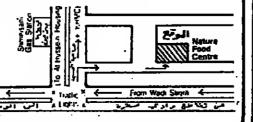
"On that day I'll light a candle and put it in the store window," Wolinsky said.

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Perez-Roldan clinches **Athens Grand Prix title**

ATHENS, Greece (AP) - Driving a blistering forehand, 17-year-old Guillermo Perez-Roldan of Argentina defeated West German Tore Meinecke 5-2, 6-3 on the red-clay centre court of the Athens Tennis Club Sunday to clinch his second Grand Prix title this year.

The fourth-seeded Argentinian, ranked 56th in the world, served three aces in the first set and haffled Meinecke with thundering side-line passes and aggressive net play in cool, windy conditions.

The unseeded West German broke Perez-Roldan's serve in the third game. But the Argentinian, who has only dropped one set in the week-long contest, broke back twice and wrapped up the first set with an unstoppable cross-court volley.

Meinecke, ranked 141st in the world and looking nervous in his first Grand Prix final, broke serve three times hut failed to hold his own service in the second set. Perez-Roldan won the match

with an ace into the corner as the

20-year-old West German looked

"I knew Meinecke was nervons and that was my advantage," the Argentinian said. "It was windy playing but I managed to keep my concentration."

The Argentinian won the \$20,000 first prize to hring his year's earnings to \$67,771. Meinecke took \$10,000 to total

Gornik Zabrze wins Polish soccer title

WARSAW (R) — Gornik Zabrze won the Polish League Soccer title for the third successive year on Sunday despite being beaten 2-1 at home hy bottoh cluh Motor Luhlin. Pogon Szczecin finished second after winning 1-0 at Widzew Lodz, thanks to a goal by leading striker Marek Lesinak, who finished the season as Poland's top scorer with 24 goals. For the first time, wins by three clear goals were awarded three points this season. Gornik had seven such wins and Katowice, who finished third, had six.

"I felt a little tired. He played a much better game," the West German said

But Meinecke then teamed up with 23-year-old West German Ricki Osterthun to down Tom Nijssen of The Netherlands and Czechoslovak Jaro Navratil 6-2. 3-6, 6-2 in the doubles final.

The West Germans breezed through the first set with Meineeke serving two aces and Osterthun another three. Navratil and Nijssen fought back, taking three straight games at the ing on as Meinecke looked increasingly fatigued at the hase-

But in the final set, Osterthun's fierce serve and Meinceke's sharp cross-court volleys overpowered the opposition. At match-point Nijssen double-faulted to give the West Germans their first Grand Prix doubles title.

"We played very consistently, we were a great team and they couldn't return our service, Osterthun, ranked 80th in the world, said.

New Zealander wins warm up for Detroit race

DETROIT (AP) — Paul Radisich of New Zealand raced off to an easy victory Sunday in the Detroit round of the Valvoline Super Vee series, the fifth different winner in as many races this

Radisich, driving a Volkswagen-powered Rait RT-5, beat second-place Dennis Vitolo to

the finish line hy 1.706 seconds. The 24-lap, 60-mile (96kilometre) event on the 2.5 mile (4-km), 20-turn street course was run as a support race for the

Detroit Grand Prix later Sunday.

with Radisich alongside, but the New Zealander quickly grabbed the lead.

and spins, but only one fullcourse caution period and no

Scott Atchison, the series point leader and defending race champion, was third, followed by Dave Kudrave and Roberto Groff.

Radisich, who earned \$6,500, averaged 69.610 mph (112 kph). There were several accidents

France stage two years ago, is the strongest racer on the Colombian team making its debut in the Swiss Tour this year. He moved Atchison started from the pole, up to an overall 17th place Sunday from 38th. Four cyclists, including Teg-

> lead at one point. They were still ahead by one minute when Giovanetti and Parra charged out of the main pack five kilometres (three miles) from the finish for their successful attack.

1938 round-the-world flight record broken

day as four aviators finished a round-the-world voyage in a 1930s-vintage airplane — beating Howard Hughes' 1938 time by 2½ bours.

TAESCH, Switzerland (AP) — Italy's Marco Giovanetti posted his first victory on the pro circuit in the sixth stage of the Tour de Touchdown was at 10 a.m. (0800 GMT) under cloudy skies north of Paris at Le Bourget airfield, from which the crew had set off Wednesday afternoon. Their arrival came on the final day of the Paris Air Show, which

began June 11.
"We did it, it's over, and I'm a happy man," said Arthnr Powell. 34, of Vancouver, Canada, who did most of the restoration work on the two-engine aircraft.

He said except for a few minor glitches — a heater that failed, spark plugs that needed changing - the Lockheed 18 Lodestar worked perfectly during the 88hour, 48-minute flight.
The flyers, clad in dark-green

flight suits, perched on a wing and waved as the plane was towed to its display area.

Then they doused each other with champagne, signed auto-

graphs and fielded questions. Tve forgotten the difficult moments," said Patrick Fourticq,

athletes

dominate

int'l event

PARIS (AP) — Champagne the captain, who spent two years flowed and crowds cheered Sunsame model as Hughes' for the

trip.

He finally found the plane in

Miami, where it was being used to transport chickens. "I discovered a new world,"

said Henri Pescarolo, the co-pilot and navigator. "Finishing the flight was a great moment. Fourticq and Pescarolo, along

with fellow crew member Hubert Auriol, have reputations as Daredevils in the air and on the ground

Auriol is a motorbike rider and race-car driver who won the Parks-Dakar Rally in 1981 and 1983. This year he broke both legs in a crash, hut finished the leg of the race before being rushed to the hospital.

Pescarolo, a four-time Le Mans winner, got a pilot's license at 17, before he could drive. He holds a world record for a Transatlantic crossing in a single-engine air-

Fourticq, an Air France captain, won the French Microlight Champiouship in 1984.

The four had hoped to retrace Hughes' celebrated flight, which included three stops in the Soviet

But after a West German pilot's landing last month in Red Square, the Soviets were in no mood for more aviation stunts

and permission was denied. The four chose a new route that covered the same distance as the Hughes flight — 24,000 kilometres — with stops in Spitz-

kilometres — with stops in Spitz-berg, Norway, Fairbanks, Alas-ka, Vancouver, Los Angeles, Miami and New York. Their plane, christened the "Spirit of J-and-B" for the Lon-don-based Scotch whisky company that sponsored the venture. has a cruising speed of 360 kilometres an hour (225 mph). It has a 20-metre wingspan and a length of 14 metres, and

flies at a maximum altitude of about 8,000 metres. Hughes' 1938 flight was inspired by a round-the-world record set by aviator Wiley Post in

Flying with a crew of four crack aviators, Hughes broke Post's record with a time of 91 hours and

17 minutes. Seven million people turned out for a ticker-tape parade in

New York for Hughes and his crew after their safe arrival

Sukova exposes Navratilova, Evert weak spot

EASTBOURNE, England (AP) first set hefore going down 7-6,
— Helena Sukova did more than 6-3. just win the \$200,000 Pilkington Glass Women's Grasscourt Tennis ritle.

By beating Chris Evert and then Martina Navratilova, the 22year-old Czechoslovak exposed a new common weakness shared by the two players who have dominated wernen's tennis for a decade. Both Navratilova, who won the pre-Wimbledon championship the previous five times, and Evert imided frey had lost the ability

All the upmonents. Elem, seeded number 2. squandered a 5-2 third set lead in ber semifinal against Sukova, before losing 6-4, 4-6, 8-6, while, in Saturday's final, Navratilova led the tall Czechoslovak 5-0 in the

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Navratilova, ranked number 1 to Evert's number 3 lost more than her countrywoman.

Sukova's victory on Saturday ended Navratilova's streak of 69 matches on English grass, dating back to a Wimhledon semifinal defeat hy another Czechoslovak, Hana Mandlikova, in 1981.

Navratilova also lost the psychological boost of knowing that whenever she has won the Eastbourne Tournament, she has always carried off the Wimbledon title two weeks later.

Of more significance, however, the result meant that, going into Wimbledon, she bad failed to pick up a title for the previous seven months.

"There's nothing wrong with me technically," Navratilova said. "I was rolling and I just let it

"There have been a lot of sets and matches recently where I have been in a position to win, but not punched it through." Evert said she hoped the upset would be a "kick in the pants"

before Wimbledon, which starts Monday. "I'm pretty angry with myself,"

"I have relied so much on my mental abilities and I really let the match slip for no reason at all.

"I'm not worried about my game so much as finishing off matches. I really need to get that intensity back," Evert said.

Coles wins golf seniors title

COVENTRY, England (AP) -Neil Coles made the most of his seven-stroke overnight lead to score a comfortable victory in the Trusthouse Forte PGA seniors Golf Championship Sunday. The challenge of Australian

Peter Thomson, with four successive birdies, came too late to halt the march of 52-year-old Coles towards his third successive title. His final round of 71 gave him

a 13-under-par 206 total, won him the £5,000 (\$7,500) first prize and earned him some measure of revenge for defeat by the Melbourne Ace 21 years ago. In 1966, Coles was going for his

third successive PGA match-play championship when Thomson beat him in the final.

to the skill of Coles, saying: "He plays almost as well as he did years ago. The fact that he has endured indicates his real greatness and it is odd that he did not win an (British) Open along the

Swiss driver

holds overall

Tour de Suisse

Suisse road cycling race Sunday, a 226-kilometre (166-mile) test through western Switzerland. Guido Winterberg of Switzer-

land retained the overall lead in

the competition's longest stage,

coming in with the field nearly two minutes behind Giovanetti's

winning time of six hours, 52 minutes, 58 seconds.

Fabio Parra of Colombia

finished second with a 20-second

lag, ontdistanced by Giovanetti in

a two-man sprint for the finish line.

Sweden's Jonas Tegstroem took

third place, 1:19 minutes behind.

About half the leg was raced

Parra, winner of a Tour de

stroem, carved out an 11-minute

through rain.

lead in

Thomson might have got closer had he been able to hole more putts. But he said: "Some of the boles were about a quarter of an inch smaller than usual.

"After all the rain we have had the turf is springing out above the metal cups. That makes it very difficult to get ball into the bole.

Thomson had to move early to make any dent in Coles's big overnight advantage. But be failed from only four feet for an Thomson, 57, paid high tribute eagle three on the first green

es back this year much better

known and with the number five

Mecir is essentially a clay-court

specialist but is a heguiling

stroke-maker capable of emulat-

ing a similarly gifted player,

American Arthur Asbe who won

If the women's seedings work out, the quarter-final pairings will

be Martina Navratilova vs. Manuela Maleeva, Chris Evert

vs. Helena Sukova, Pam Shriver

vs. Hana Mandlikova and Gab-

The major question here is whether Graf, Becker's 18-year-

old compatriot, can extend her

winning singles run from 39 to 46

matches and add the Wimbledon

title to the French Open crown

she claimed in Paris in ber first

world's number one ranking, a

position currently held by Navra-

tilova more by virtue of her past

Grand Slam final.

riela Sabatini vs. Steffi Graf.

She fan a highly impressive Czechoslavak outsider who com-

challenge. Drechsler finished in a respectable 22.18, also inside the

22.22 set by Gladisch. Afterwards a thrilled Gladisch said: "I did not think I could beat Heike today. But this has given me confidence and now I hope to

near future.

Her run was among seven world bests this season and a further four European bests in a top class meeting made more poignant by next weekend's European Cup in Prague where the Soviet Union will be defending their men's and women's ti-

The Soviet men's performances here, despite the absence of world record holders Sergei Bubka in the pole vault and Igor Paklin in the high jump, suggest they will take some beating in

German

KARL-MARX-STADT, East Germany (R) — Silke Gladisch was the star of East Germany's victory over the Soviet Union in an athletics international Sunday for beating her own team-

East Germany won the twoday international 208-194 with the women scoring a crushing 106-73 win. The Soviet men, however, won their match 121-

Gladisch, 23 on Saturday, handed compatriot and European champion Heike Drechsler a rare defeat as she clocked 22.03 seconds in the 200 metres, best in the world this year.

The time took Gladisch, previously known merely as a member of the all-conquering sprint relay team, into the top 10 women of all time over the dis-

race, leading off the bend and grittily powering to the line de-spite Drechsler's defermined

previous world best this season of

beat the 22-second barrier in the

"I still prefer the 100 metres but when I am not doing well at that, I seem to be even better over 200."

deeds than anything she has done | Prague.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

Hamburg wins W. German Soccer Cup

WEST BERLIN (R) - Hamburg SV has won the West German Soccer Cup for the third time after two goals in a remarkable last two minutes gave them a 3-1 victory over Second Division Stuttgarter Kickers. The former European Cup holders and First Division runners-up were held until then by the Kickers, who had been regarded as the underdogs. "I didn't really think the Kickers could be so strong," admitted Hamburg captain, midfielder Thomas von Heesen, after accepting his team's first West German Cup since 1976. The first time Hamburg goalkeeper Uli Stein touched the ball was to lift it out of the net after the Kickers' Ghanain striker Anthony Baffoe had set up a neat header for Dirk Kurtenbach to open the scoring in the 12th mimite. But the sbocked Hamburg fans in the 76,000 capacity crowd had to wait only three minutes before von Heesen gave Dietmar Beiersdorfer the chance for the equaliser. The stalemate continued until, with extra time looming, Hamburg's star defender Manfred Kaliz-curved a free kick around the defensive wall to defeat keeper. Armin Jaeger and put his team 2-1 ahead. The goal dented the Kickers' morale and just before the final whistle striker Niels Schlotterbeck put the ball into his own net.

Briton dominates Yugoslav race

JASTREBARSKO, Yugoslavia (R) - Britain's Robert Herring. 18. dominated both races to win the Yugoslav 250 cc Motocross Grand Prix on Sunday. Herring, winning the first Grand Prix race in his short career, led in all but 10 laps in two races against the world's strongest riders in the class. But he is still outside the top 10 overall standings, in which Finland's Pekka Vehkonnen leads Eric Geboers of Belgium by 187 points to 186.

Australian athlete survives disqualification

NEWCASTLE, England (R) - World marathon champion Rob de Castella of Australia was declared the winner of the great north run balf marathon on Sunday after surviving a temporary disqualification. De Castella, who covered the 21-km course in one bour two minutes four seconds, was disqualified for cutting off parts of the running number on his vest but reinstated soon afterwards. His time was well outside the world best of one hour. zero minutes 43 seconds set in the same event last year by Kenyan Mike Musyoki, who pulled out this year because of injury. De-Castella, who is now based in Colorado in the U.S., finished 24 seconds ahead of Allister Hntton with another Briton, Tony Milovsorov, in third place.

Swede takes U.S. Open ping-pong tourney

MIAMI BEACH, Florida (AP) — Second-seeded Michael Applegren of Sweden defeated countryman Erik Lindh in five games Saturday to take the Men's Open singles title at the U.S. Open Table Tennis Championship. Applegren lost the first match 13-21, but went on to beat Lindh with scores of 21-16, 21-16, 22-24, 21-17. In the Women's Open singles, top-seeded Young-Ja Yang of South Korea defeated second-seeded Mi Jung Kim of South Korea, 21-12, 22-20, 21-17. John Onifade of Atlanta defeated Jimmy Butler of Iowa City, Iowa, 21-16, 21-19 to take the class a singles title, while Brandon Olson of Minneapolis and Brian Masters of Columbia, Maryland, beat Bowie Martin Jr., of Wilson, North Carolina, and Quang Bui of Seattle, 21-16, 21-11, for the class a doubles title. In the foreign singles event, Folker-Kreft of West Germany defeated Hiraoka Yoshihiro of Japan,

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Becker returns to his court, Lendl to place of anguish LONDON (R) - Boris Becker ter about the court if the immacu-Edberg was surprised 12 Becker's Wimbledon record of months ago by Mecir, then a

returns to "my court" Monday to begin his quest for a third Wimbledon men's tennis title in successive years.

For his rival Ivan Lendl, the all England Club which stages the 101st Wimbledon is a place of anguisb, of largely unfulfilled ambition.

centre court. "I feel at bome on that court. It seems like my court. Lendl would probably feel betlate, close-cropped grass were dug up and replaced by the same red shale on which two weeks ago he won the French Open, his fifth Grand Slam title. It seemed Lendl was destined

for a long and bappy association with Wimbledon when be won the junior title in 1978 for the loss "I always feel very good out of only two sets. Becker, 19, said after But five years passed before he beating Lendl in straight sets in hroke through at senior level, reaching the 1983 semifinals, and last year's final on the famous

when he at last made it to the final for the first time 12 months ago. Becker sent him packing with all the severity of a landowner banisbing a small intruder from his apple orchard.

player's misgivings about venturing into the forecourt, a vital zone in the grass-court game.

For Becker, though, 'no go"
areas do not exist at Wimhledon. Just as the statuesque ground stroke is Lendl's trademark, Becker's is the tumbling volley at the net. The young West German

loves to attack from the front of

the ball from the back of the

court but retains a clay-court

only one defeat when he slipped and twisted an ankle against American Bill Scanlon in 1984 bas earned him the number one seeding this year ahead of Lendl,

a reversal of their world rankings. Otherwise the seedings reflect the rankings so that the predicted quarter-final lineup is Becker vs. Jimmy Counors, Mats Wilander vs. Yannick Noab, Miloslav Mecier vs. Stefan Edberg and Andres Gomez vs. Lendi.

Had they not been based on the world rankings but on pre-vious grass-court form, the top eight seedings might have looked very different with Tim Mayotte Lendl is a majestic striker of and Pat Cash, seeded 10th and 11th, almost certainly included and perhaps also unseeded Yugoslav Slobodan Zivojinovic, big "Bobo" who lost to Lendl in-five sets in the 1986 semifinals.

Sweden have two of the top eight seeds this time. Wilander and Edberg, compared with four a year ago and the likelihood is that the Wimbledon-winning formula uncovered by Bjorn Borg between 1976 and 1980 will again. the court, a boldness Wimbledon elude his compatriots.

Graf, seeded 11th when she last came to Wimbledon in 1985, is closing inexorably on the

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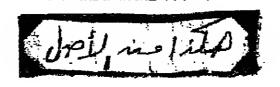


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Weekly Financial Report

AMMAN - Last week the U.S. dollar moved still higher due to the short covering from major U.S. banks and financial institutions. The dollar traded in a very wide range of 0.341-0.347 fils on the Jordanian dinar. The main reason behind this wide upward movement on the dollar are rumours released from the Japanese central bank that the dollar has bottomed at

the present levels.

Charts still indicate that the dollar could move lower this week due to the overbought situation on this currency. The expected dollar range for this week is 0.337-0.348 fils.

The pound sterling moved lower due to the strong dollar and the heavy selling from speculators. The pound sterling traded between 0.540-0.552

The D.M./S.F. moved lower due to the strong dollar. The D.M. traded between 0.1825-0.1850 fils and the S.F. between 0.215-0.222 fils. The Austrian shilling traded between 0.247-

The Lebanese lira moved to record lows against the dollar because of the bad political situation in Lebanon. The lira traded between 415-395 L.L./

The Syrian lira traded be-tween 100-95 S.L./ID, the Kuwain dinar traded between JD 1.205-JD 1.210 and the Egyptian pound traded between 0.165-0.170 fils.

The Iraqi dinar traded between 0.250-0.260 fils.

Metals traded lower due to heavy selling from the Russians. Gold fell from a high of \$454 an ounce to a low of \$444 an ounce. Silver fell from \$7.70 an onnce to \$7.15 an ounce. Charts indicate that gold is

still in a consolidation period around the levels of \$440-\$465 an ounce before moving higher. Gold prices in Amman based on the daily bulletin from the

Jordan Jewellery Store are as foliows: Gold per gramme 21 carats JD 4.150-JD 4.000 Gold per gramme 18 carats JD 4.000-JD 3.900

Iraq plans to export electric motors

BAGHDAD (R) — Iraq plans to export electric motors, water pumps and spark plugs in the near future, Heavy Industries Minister Qassem Ahmad Taqi was quoted as saying.

Mr. Taqi, quoted by the government newspaper Al Jumhuriya, said Iraq exported \$27.5 million worth of manufactured items in the

fast five months, including batteries and sulphuric acid. He said ministry enterprises had started to supply local markets with air-conditioner motors, concrete mixers, welding machines and other items.

oroscope from the Carroll Righter Institute

FORECAST FOR MONDAY, JUNE 22, 1987 GENERAL TENDENCIES: Take some time out today to get matters with an important woman solved. Use your best charm and tact where relations with this person are concerned.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Make sure you make a good impression on the public today. You can gain the assistance of a charming person.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Be more friendly in any letters you send. Use finesse if you want to gain the data

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Show particular affection for the one you love and get fine results. Shop

around for charming articles.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to Jul. 21) Complete an outside affair that has taken some time to handle. Don't

start anything new now. LEO (Jul. 22 to Aug. 21) Get your environment more charming and functional. You can get a fellow worker

to go along with your wishes.
VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Show the one you love that you understand his, or her, needs. Be helpful to this

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Try to have more harmony at home. Don't go out with a newcomer who seems

ervous and restless. SCORP10 (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Show associates you appreciate their finest qualitites. Handle correspondence

and reports with an optimistic smile. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Study your property and know how to make it more valuable. Garner

a practical outlook on life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Get out of your home and enjoy the pleasures that most interest you. See as many friends as you can.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) See a practical-

minded adviser and get good ideas for improving your position in life, confidentially.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You can get your most devoted and loyal friends to help you gain your personal wishes now. Avoid greedy people.

1F YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY ... he, or she, will need to stop, look and listen before making sudden

decisions and jumping into ventures without prior thought or knowledge. Once this is learned, your progeny can make it work out most successfully. Teach your child the importance of kind words.

IMF moves to centre stage

ican debt initiative some 20 months ago, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) seemed to be shunted to a less powerful role, economic analysts say.

As envisioned by Mr. Baker. the World Bank, the IMF's sister agency and often friendly rival, would be given a larger role in solving the debt crisis because of its much greater experience in the also requires, its planners dealing with developing countries. say, that new long-term assist-

But when the leaders from the ance be allowed to flow unimseven largest industrial democracies met in Venice earlier this dulum had swung again, this time development agencies.

putting the 1MF into a far more In the past, the 1MI central role.

clear that the IMF would be given threaten the system. the additional responsibility of assisting the wealthy countries in of the global debt crisis in 1982. healing their economic differ- when Mexico notified the interences and making certain that national community that it was efforts to improve the global eco-

To do this, the IMF will keep lances, and send out warning slowed economic activity and signals when conditions appear to be moving toward trouble.

"I hope it will be a yellow light and not a red flag," said the cutting public spending, reducing

WASHINGTON (R) — When U.S. Treasury Secretary James that he not be identified.

Baker unveiled his Latin Amer-Monitoring of economic indica-

Monitoring of economic indicators was agreed to by the summit participants, but part of the strategy gave the IMF a role in making the accord work.

The current global debt strategy is a flexible, free-form affair that to succeed requires continued growth in the world economy led by 'the richest nations, analysts say. It also requires, its planners

peded into the poorest countries from wealthier nations, commermonth, it appeared that the pen- cial hanks and the multilateral In the past, the IMF has had the role of monitoring the global

A senior IMF official, meeting economy, making certain that with reporters last week, made it countries don't act in ways that By any measurement, the onset

they undertake cooperative perilously close to default, brought into question the system of shepherding monetary events. Following the crisis, the IMF an eye on the major economic became the economic fix-it man, indicators, such as economic rushing from country to country growth, budget and trade imba- with austerity medicine that

> painfully turned countries on the path to living within their means.

subsidies, Increasing interest rates and devaluing their currencies, reached a point where governments felt politically threatened.

Mr. Baker reasoned that countries must be belped in ways that not only reformed their economies but allowed them to grow out of their problems.

The World Bank was given an increasing role and has, in fact, substanually hiked its so-called structural adjustment lending, which funds economic reform and gives countries much needed new capital.

But the Baker proposal appears to have run its course, hitting up against the reluctance of banks to put new money into Latin America and Africa. Some analysts believe that the

final nail in the plan's coffin was driven in February by Brazil's decision to stop interest payments on \$65 billion in commercial

Another damaging move came from the large commercial banks wheb, led by Citibank, set aside reserves for possible losses from loans made to developing countries, particularly those in Latin

At the same time, the World Bank is going through a painful, even bitter reorganisation with some 400 positions, many of them This process, with countries relatively high ranking, being scrapped.

Cameroun starts austerity drive

YAOUNDE (R) - President hit hy a slump in oil and commod-Cameroun, one of Africa's least indehted countries, overcome a current economic crisis without aid from the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

Cameroun's total external debt was estimated at the end of last year at around \$3.9 million, but is expected to rise to \$4.2 billion at the end of 1987.

Unlike many other African nations, Cameroun, which has been sals of 3,700 people so far this President Biya said.

Paul Biya Saturday announced ities revenues, has managed to austerity measures to help avoid an 1MF-backed debt rescheduling package.

President Biya told parliament

the government would crack down on overspending and waste by cutting the number of vehicles used by civil servants as well as petrol allowances, He also said there would be

further cuts in the country's large civil service following the dismis-

The government was also considering making civil servants pay

for water and electricity services, currently free of charge, while helping them to buy their rentfree houses or apartments. Inefficient state and semi-state

concerns will be privatised or scraoped altogether while some of Cameroun's foreign missions abroad, both commercial and diplomatic, will be closed down.

U.S. Defence Department halts new business with Japanese firm WASHINGTON (R) - The alleged sale to Moscow of milling

U.S. Defence Department bas machines which will grind almost stopped approving new military silent submarine propellers. contracts to Japan's Toshiba Corp over a subsidiary's alleged transfer of submarine technology to the Soviet Union, a semor defence official has said.

"We are not approving any new contracts (with Toshiha) pending a satisfactory resolution of this entire matter," Deputy Assistant Defence Secretary Stephen Bryen told Reuters.

The temporary ban, which Mr. Bryen said has been in effect unofficially since April, could cost Toshiba hundreds of millions of dollars in electronics business with the Defence Department, including a pending \$100 million air force deal for small compu-

Mr. Bryen said the U.S. military services have not signed any contracts with Toshiba since The advanced equipment could

help the Soviets quiet their relatively noisy submarines, frustrating sophisticated U.S. detection methods. The Japanese government has

been investigating the case, which involved previous reports that Toshiba Machine Co. sold four large milling machines to the Soviet Union in late 1983 or early

Mr. Bryen said the Defence Department has been informed hy Japanese police that at least four more smaller machines capable of making such precision propellers were also sold to the Kremlin, apparently in 1984.

"There may be even more beyond that. I don't know yet." Mr. Bryen said.

Toshiha is seeking a U.S. air force contract for 90,000 small, April when publicity arose over force contract for 90,000 small, subsidiary Toshiba Machine Co's so-called "lap-top" computers

worth some \$100 million. But the air force bas called for new bids on the contract, partly because of the Toshiba investiga-

tion, defence officials said. Earlier, three U.S. senators said they would seek a temporary ban on all imports into the United States of Toshiba products, including television sets and video

recorders. The navy is reported to be furious over the technology transfer and defence officials have told Reuters that some of the state-ofthe-art propellers have already been mounted on Soviet attack submarines.

The Japanese government has already prohibited Tosbiba Machine Co. from doing any business with the Soviet Bloc.

The Norwegian state-own firm Kongsberg Vaapenfabrikk was involved in the original technology transfer, providing vital computer software to be used with the Japanese milling equipment.

Egyptair orders two jetliners

SEATTLE (AP) — Egyptair has ordered two 747-300 Combi jet-liners from Boeing Commercial Airplane Co. Boeing spokesman David Jimenez said that a Combi's selling price ranges from \$98 million to \$120 million. Egyptair requested Boeing not to release the purchase price of its order, he said. The jets are scheduled for delivery in June 1988 and will be capable of flying non-stop from Cairo to North America and the orient. The four-engine jetliners feature an extended upper deck for transporting large volumes of cargo and numerous passengers. The aircraft will be configured to carry 450 passengers. Egyptair will be the first Arab airline in the Middle East to operate the 747-300s, which will be added to its present fleet of 737-200s and 707s. Boeing has had 799 orders for 747 jetliners and has delivered

Kuwaitis extend \$100m loan to E. Germans KUWAIT (AP) - Five Kuwain

and Gulf financial establishments have extended a loan of \$100 million to East Germany's Deutsche Aussenhandelsbank, according to a press release. The loan agreement was signed in Kuwait between the German bank and the Kuwait Foreign, Trading, Contracting and Investment Co., which acts as an agent for the facility, the investment company said in the statement. The other four creditors are the Arab Banking Corp., Al Ahli Bank of Kuwait, the Commercial Bank of Kuwait and the Abu Dhabi Investment Co. The main activity of the Deutsche Aussenhandelsbank, totally owned by the government, is foreign trade financing. It was the second loan accorded by Kuwaiti businesses to an East Bloc state-owned

Reagan lashes budget scheme

WASHINGTON (R) -- President Reagan Saturday derided a \$1 trillion 1988 budget expected to be adopted next week by Congress. "This budget is as bad as they come — like a had sequel to the tax and spend follies of the 4970s," President Reagan said in his weekly radio address. He specifically criticised "holding essential defence programmes captive" to a \$64 billion tax hike. The budget, approved hy a Senate and House of Representatives conference committee on Thursday, calls for \$64 billion in tax increases over three years, starting with \$19.3 billion next year. President Reagan has vowed to veto tax-hike legislation, but in his speech Saturday said he faced a choice: Accept the hudget or veto it "and see the entire U.S. government grind to a halt." The bndget bill would make an in-crease in defence spending — from \$289 hillion in fiscal 1987 to \$296 billion, or about enough to cover inflation — contingent on enactment of the three-year tax

OPEC may keep oil price stability

VIENNA (R) - OPEC is unlikely to loosen the grip it has tightened on world oil markets when it meets in Vienna this week to review a price and production pact that halted the 1986 oil price crash, oil analysts

in OPEC, a reluctance to go back to the bad old ways. The nightmare of the oil price crash is still very fresb in ministers' minds," said industry analyst, Mr. Mehdi Varzi of London brokers Kleinwort Grieveson Securines.

Oil analysts think the 13-member Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) will, after some haggling, agree to continue output restraint to avoid flooding the market. A return to over-supply would put pressure on the \$18 per barrel oil price it has dictated so far this year.

OPEC President Rilwanu Lukman, Nigeria's oil minister, told reporters in Lagos on Friday that be expected the Vienna meeting starting on Thursday to be short and calm. "We already have an agreement which may need only a slight review," he said.

1 myself believe that OPEC will tend to take a position to strengthen the gains we have made so far. Mr. Lukman added.

The Gulf Cooperation Council, which includes key OPEC members Kuwait, Saudi Arahia, the United Arah Emirates (UAE) and Qatar, said last month that it wants to continue with \$18 oil and output curbs in force since the start of this year.

"I detect a new sense of realism than one per cent this year, according to the International

Energy Agency.

OPEC finally reversed the oil price slide caused by its own huge overproduction when it set an effective limit of 15.8 million barrels per day (b/p) at a meeting in Geneva in December. Prior to that, prices had tumbled from \$30

to \$9 a barrei. That meeting, which put some organisation back into OPEC after a year of disarray, also set fixed take-it-or-leave-it prices averaging \$18 a barrel, a practice effectively abandoned in a price free-for-all which started late

It also set a provisional ceiling for the third quarter of this year of 16.6 million b/d and 18.3 for the final quarter, when world demand rises with the onset of winter in the north.

But some analysts believe these limits may be pitched too high, and expect pressure from some states - Libya, Iran and Algeria. the traditional price "hawks" to press to keep the ceiling where

it is, to consolidate the \$18 price. Gulf war rivalry, in-fighting about individual production quotas and price levels may also make the ministers' task more difficult this week.

Iraq rejected the 1.466 million The main problem is where to h/d limit assigned it in December set a ceiling on the group's output and stuck to a long-standing dewhen world oil demand in the mand that it receive a quota equal major industrialised countries is to its Gulf war foe Iran's quota, expected to grow by little more currently 2.255 million b/d.

Alfonsin accuses West of trade discrimination

SAN DIEGO, California (R) -Argentine President Raul Alfon-sin said Saturday night the major century," President Alfonsin powers were limiting ties to developing countries, discriminating against their products and causing their export prices to fall to the lowest levels of the cen-

These problems are intensified in Latin America by the insufferable burden of a foreign debt which has transformed the area into a net capital-exporting region when it is really only a developing region of the world President Alfonsin economy,

President Alfonsin addressed a dinner given by the Institute of the Americas, a non-profit organisation which specialises in Latin American affairs, after having a five-minute telephone conversation with President Reagan.

Describing the integration of Latin America as a historical aspiration, President Alfonsin told his American audience: "Today we begin to see a growing tendency among the great power blocs with advanced economies to limit their relations with the developing nations."

"The prices of our exports have

"In part, this is due to a sub-

sidies war over these products unleashed between advanced economic countries. In part, this is the result of discrimination against our products, whether they be traditional agricultural goods or the industrial goods we are now producing," he added. Some members of President Alfonsin's Radical Party have

suggested Argentina should suspend foreign debt payments if the United States and the European Community no not ahandon grain subsidies. Discussing the foreign debt of Latin American countries, which

amounts to \$370 billion, President Alfonsin said: "In the last five years Latin American countries have transferred to the industrialised countries an amount equal to at least twice the cost of the Marshall plan at the present dollar rate.

The Marshall plan was launched by the United States to help restore Europe after World War

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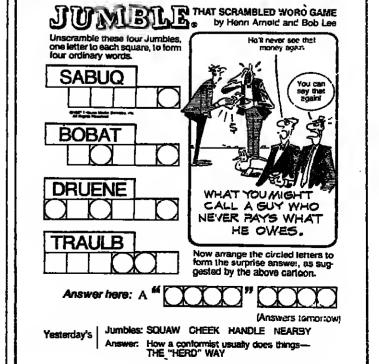








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Amnesty accuses Sri Lanka of murder, torture of Tamils

LONDON (R) - Amnesty International accused the Sri Lankan security forces of inflicting horrific torture, sometimes to the point of death, on Tamils suspected of anti-government activities.

The London-based bumanrights organisation said it had documented more than 500 case histories of Tamils who had disappeared after being arrested by the security forces in the past two and a half years.

It believed many of them had been murdered.

"Government security forces have routinely resorted to torture during interrogation. There have also been consistent reports of past extra-judicial killings of prisoners hy security forces," Amnesty said.

The report said much of the torture and killing was done by the Sri Lankan Special Task Force (STF), a commando unit under the direction of the secretary of the Ministry of Defence.

This group systematically tortured prisoners to extract information about the activities of

nuclear-weapons test was conducted successfully in a tunnel

1.030 feet beneath the surface of

Rainier Mesa at the Nevada test

site, the Department of Energy

The 9 a.m. (1500 GMT) blast

Saturday, code-named Mission

Ghost, was a weapons-effect test

with a yield of less than 20 kilo-

armed Tamil groups and their members, it said.

Tamil guerrillas are fighting for antonomy over the north and east of the island.

The alleged methods of torture included hanging prisoners by the thumber or upside down by the toes, bearing them with clubs, burning them with hot iron rods and applying chilli powder to

Female prisoners bad complained of being raped and subected to sexual torture.

"We have strong reason to believe that many of the 'disappeared' have been tortured, some dying as a result and that nthers bave been sbot after arrest, their bodies being disposed of in secret," the report

Sri Lankan National Security

"We had no problems," he

It was the eighth nuclear test in

Nevada announced this year and

brought to 667 the number of

there in 1951, Boyer said.

handover who visited London last week, denied the charges. He said they were based on inadequate and to Galvin

inaccurate evidence. He said many of the "so-called disappeared" bad taken new identities when joining the Tamil guerrilla movement. Others had gone abroad or had "died at sea."

The report included several graphic accounts by victims of torture and photographs showing the wounds of victims.

Amnesty said Sunday's report, listing 216 case histories of Tamils who had disappeared after arrest, followed another report last September that listed 272 disappearances.

The Sri Lankan government had not responded in detail to the earlier charges and Amnesty had since been able to discover what had happened to only four of the 272 people listed.

Two were later found in prison, one was released and one was certified shot after arrest by security forces. The fate of the other 268 people was unknown.

U.S. conducts nuclear test in Nevada underground tests last year at the Nevada test site, 145 kilometres north west of Las Vegas. Not all

tests are announced by the gov-

ernment, for security reasons. The Soviet Union earlier Saturday conducted its ninth nuclear test in the four months since ending a 19-month unilateral moratorium, the official TASS

Contras claim killing 18 troops in downed MI-24

LAS VEGAS, Nevada (AP) — A tonnes, said department spokes-

man Jim Boyer.

TEGUCIGALPA (Agencies) — U.S.-backed Nicaraguan rebels have said they shot down a Soviet-supplied helicopter gunship in central Nicaragua, killing all 18 people on board.

In Managna, the Defence Ministry Saturday announced the downing of the MI-24 helicopter as it supported Sandinista troopsin combat Friday some 145 kilometres north east of Managua. It said three crew members had died.

A rebel official said that an MI-24 does not fly with a crew of only three, needing at least seven in a combat zone.

It was the first time Nicaragua publicly announced the loss of an MI-24, the Soviet Union's export model of a helicopter gunship used extensively by Soviet forces in Afghanistan.

A statement from the Nicaraguan Resistance, the main rebel organisation, said the helicopter was shot down by a missile in the central region of Zelava.

The rebels, known as contras, have downed six or seven MI-24s, a rebel official said. In total, the contras claim they have shot down 13 Sandinista helicopters in recent months, while the Nicaraguan government admits to losing

just three. The MI-24, armed with-rockets, cannon and machine guns, is also known as the "flying tank" because of its thick armour plating and Western military experts say it has been used to inflict

heavy casualties on the contras. Neither the contras nor the Nicaraguan Defence Ministry specified what type of missile was used to bring down the belicop-

Nicaragua has about 50 Sovietsupplied belicopters, including 12 Meanwhile about 1,000 people,

demanding changes in Nicaragua's conscription policy, ended a two-day protest Saturday in Boaco that began after soldiers dumped a draftee's body on the doorstep of his wife's house.

The protest at the Red Cross office 90 kilometres north east of Managua began Friday with demands for an explanation of the soldier's death. After authorities said he was accidentally shot by another draftee, the protesters demanded that local draftees be kept closer to home.

women, peacefully left the Red Cross building at 4 a.m. (1000 GMT) after anthorities assured them recruits from their area were not in any danger, Monsignor Rafael Obregon, a priest in Boaco, told the Associated Press

The dead recruit, 40-year-old Salvador Fernandez, was one of 400 men taken Wednesday from Boaco, a town of 15,000 people in a cattle-raising area of Nicaragua, where U.S.-hacked contra rebels frequently attack in their quest to oust the leftist Sandinista govern-

Service in the Sandinista army reserves is mandatory for all Nicaraguan men between 24 and 40. The reservists are required to take basic training and can then return home, ready to be called up in an emergency.

GOREN BRIDGE

AND OMAR SHARIF

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DEAR MR. GOREN

Q .- I am not quite sure about my prioritiea as responder after partner opens one of a suit. What sbould I look for?-D.A., Madi-

A.—That depends to a certain extent on whether partner opened one of a major and whether you are playing four- or five-card majors. First, let's consider what to do after partner opens with one of a major. Your responses are basically the same nu matter whether he promises five cards in the suit for his opening bid or only four.

1. Raise partner's suit. If you have located an eight-card or better fit, you want to raise partner's suit to the appropriate level to an-nounce to him that a fit exists. This enables him to revalue his hand and judge the potential of the com-

2. If no fit exists, jump to two no trump or three no trump to announce the strength of your hand within close limits.

3. With no fit and a hand unsuitable for no trump, bid a new auit. is very wide-from a minimum of 6 points at the one-level to almost anything if your hand is unsuitable for a jump shift. However, you must have a good enough hand if you are going to Introduce the new suit at the two-level.

4. With a very strong hand and a fit for partner's suit, or with a very strong hand and a self-sufficient suit of your own, make a jump

ter. The insurgents are known to possess ground-to-air heat-seeking missiles such as the "Red

of the MI-25 gunships

The protesters, most of them

by telephone.

ment.

5. If your hand falls into none of the above categories, you probably

By and large, responses to minorsuit opening bids follow a similar pattern. However, here priority ahould be given to introducing a major suit if you have one. But don't distort your bidding by showing a four-card major at the expense of a five-card or longer minor, unless you would have to go to the two-level and do not have the strength for that. Make your

have to respond one no trump.

Q .- Recently, there has been talk about establishing a Bridge Hall of Fame. What do you think of the idea?—C.F., Tampa, Fla.

—This is not a new Idea. It was first suggested by my good friend Lee Hazen almost a quarter of a century ago, and was inaugurated by *The Bridge World* in 1964. The first three members were Harold Vanderbilt, Ely Culbertson and a writer whose name modesty pre-vents me from mentioning. The next three were Oswald Jacoby, Sidney Lenz and Milton Work.

I like the idea, and am sorry it was not kept up. While I do not expect it to become a shrine where millions will come to worship their herces, i do think a permanent place is needed to record the history of the game.

announced nuclear tests at the site since the programme began There were 13 announced news agency reported. Soviets elect

new local

councils

MOSCOW (R) — Kremlin leader Mikhail Gorbachev and millions of Soviet voters went to the polls Sunday to elect new local government councils and district court judges in a ballot officially said to be more democratic than

in the past. For the first time in some electoral districts in the country, voters were able to choose from more than one candidate for a seat on their local council.

In other districts, voters were able to discuss a range of names put forward by local enterprises, farms and factories before choosing the single candidate running Sunday. "Judging from the composition

of the candidates, the people are giving a vote of confidence to the current process of restructuring process of expanding democracy and openness in the country, Moscow Radio said.

Mr. Gorbachev and his wife Raisa cast their ballots in a central Moscow district, emerging from the polling station with a bouquet of red carnations and chatting briefly with onlookers in the street.

The voting, virtually compul-sory for all Soviet citizens over the age of 18, began in Moscow at 6 a.m. (0200 GMT) and continues until 10 p.m. (1800 GMT): Similar polling hours were being observed throughout the country.

More than two million candidates are running for seats on some 50,000 district, city and rural councils, which handle dayto-day local government husiness such as housing, public transport

and medical care. Voters aged 25 or older are also choosing new judges to sit on district "people's courts", the ground-floor level of the Soviet judicial system.

The party newspaper Pravda, without specifying how many districts were offering multi-candidate slates. Sunday said the experiment marked a broadening of democracy in the country.

Four people, including a Rogers gunman, killed in Punjab prepares NATO About 50 people have been arrested in Tarm Taran, where three people were killed on NEW DELHI (Agencies) — A

Sikh extremist and three other people, including a priest, were killed Sunday in continuing violence in India's northern state of Punjab, the Press Trust of India (PTI) reported. In Juliandur district, militants

Police also found the body of a

crossfire or shot by militants.

In Amritsar, suspected Sikh extremists shot dead a woman

Saturday night and police also discovered the body of a teenage

Police said a curfew had been

clamped on the town of Tarn

Taran near Amritsar and they

were conducting a house-to-house hunt for militants.

BONN (R) --- Poland has ack-

nowledged that one of its warships accidentally fired on a

West German navy vessel during

a Warsaw Pact exercise in the

Baltic on Monday and apologised to Bonn, a Foreign Ministry

He said the formal apology was delivered to the Foreign Ministry

by Polisb Charge d'Affaires

The naval supply ship Neckar

was hit by five artillery shells

while observing the sea exercises

in what Bonn said was the first such incident since World War II.

Three crewmen were injured.

"The Polish Charge d'Affaires

NEW YORK (AP) - A new

study concludes a limited attack

on the United States, involving only 1 per cent of the Soviet

nuclear arsenal, could set off a

collapse of the American eco-

nomy that would last for decades,

according to a published report.
The New York Times reported

in its Sunday editions that federal

officials said the study hy the

Massachusetts Institute of Tech-

nology was flawed and that recov-

ery from even large nuclear

attacks could take years, not de-

The study claims that an attack

aimed only at liquid fuels and

their distribution points could

cripple transportation, energy

production and key industries

ly that most of the American

But the study also said the

Soviet Union would be even

more vulnerable than the United

The study, "nuclear crash,"

population would die of starva-

and damage the

tion in months.

States.

Study shows nuclear war

more devastating than thought

spokesman said.

Boleslaw Kulski.

Poland apologises for

firing on W. German ship

Friday.

At least 60 people have been

killed this month in extremist-

related violence in Punjab, where

militants are demanding a sepa-

Gurkha militants, campaigning

for autonomy in foothills of the Himalayas, bombed police posts,

set fire to government buildings

and damaged a road bridge Satur-day, United News of India re-

The agency said the violence occurred during a general strike

At least 12 government build-

ings, including four rest houses,

were set on fire in Darjeeling

district, home of 650,000 Gur-

khas, in the east Indian state of

gret at the Foreign Ministry this afternoon for the firing on the West German naval tender Neck-

He said Mr. Kulski also asked

that Poland's sympathies be con-

The spokesman quoted Mr. Kuiski as saying Poland had determined that the Neckar was hit

as the result of an error and that

there was no deliberate attempt

to fire on the ship.

Bonn protested to Warsaw over the incident on Tuesday and

the following day Defence Minis-

ter Manfred Woerner said an ex-

was based upon four years of

computer simulations of nuclear

attacks and their consequences.

The computer instructions were

modifications of a model original-

ly developed for the Federal

Emergency Management

the economy recovers," said Dr.

Kosta Tsipis, senior author of the

study. "But this programme

shows it will not recover even 25

Paul Krueger, assistant associ-

ate director for Mobilisation Re-

sources, told the Times that while

he had not seen the report he

knew that the study's underlying set of computer instructions had

been abandoned by the govern-

Dr. Tsipis told the newspaper

that the computer model had

been dropped by the government

because its results conflicted with

the government's public posi-

tions. Krueger denied the asser-

in 1984 becaus

deemed unrealistic.

tion, the Times said.

to 30 years after an attack."

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planation was overdue.

veyed to the injured sailors.

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called by the militants.

West Bengal, UNI said.

In a separate development

rate Sikh homeland.

BRUSSELS (R) - With guns shot from a Sikh temple at a blazing over planned nuclear mispolice patrol. Police returned the sile cuts, outspoken U.S. Army General Bernard Rogers relucfire, killing one of the extremists, PTT said. tantly steps down this week as NATO commander in Europe Sikh priest but it was not clear after a record eight years in whether he was caught in the

Gen. Rogers, 65, hands over next Friday to U.S. General John Galvin at a crucial time in East-West relations as the United States and the Soviet Union move towards a major agreement to slash missile arsenals in Europe.

Gen. Rogers' leves as Snpreme Allied Commander Europe (SACEUR) still bitterly critical of the superpower deal that would remove U.S. mediumrange missiles from Western Europe.

In a parting swipe at the Reagan administration, Gen. Rogers was quoted last week as saying Washington's rush towards the deal with Moscow could weaken NATO's nuclear de-

"Somebody onght to stand up out there and say to NATO, "time out, dammit'," he told the Washington Post.

The White House rejected his charge that it was rushing into a Euromissile deal with Moscow and in Sydney, Australia the visit-ing U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz said Gen. Rogers' remark was "obviously ridicu-

It seems unlikely that Gen. Galvin, 58, will initially follow the high-profile style of Gen. Rogers that gave political clout to the military post of SACEUR,

diplomats say.
But, speaking to U.S. senators last month, he expressed sympathy with Gen. Rogers' view on the missile question.

Gen. Galvin, commander in chief of U.S. forces in Latin America, will assume command at a ceremony at his future headquarters in Mons, southern Bel-

A "paper soldier" in peace-time, Gen. Galvin would command 4.5 million soldiers from Western Europe in the event of Under the missile deal being negotiated, the United States

would withdraw the croise and Pershing-2 missiles it has deployed in Western Europe in exchange for Moscow withdrawing its SS-20s targetted on the West. Western military experts have warned that reducing nuclear missiles without redressing a per-

lance with the East Bloc would damage Western defences. Gen. Galvin, who speaks German and Spanish, has served nine out of the past 15 years in NATO posts in Western Europe.

announced far-reaching changes in top military posts Saturday,

replacing the man who had headed the armed forces since

independence in 1975, the

Mozambican News Agency AIM

No new job was announced for

Col.-Gen. Sehastiao Mabote,

defence minister to the new

armed forces chief, Lt.-Gen.

force commander.

Antonio Hama Thai, formerly air

Gen. Mabote is a member of

the Frelimo Party political hureau

Mozambique since it won inde-

Mr. Chissano named new com-

pendence from Portugal.

who also lost his post as deputy

reported.

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Mozambique makes changes in armed forces MAPUTO, Mozambique (AP) vices, changed the military com-- President Joaquim Chissano mand in nine of the country's 10 provinces and shuffled directorships in charge of manpower, telecommunications, logistics,

transport and mobilisation. He said the new officers had the duty of "studying new forms of leadership, and of transmission of

orders so that the armed forces may become more dynamic and

operational." Since 1976, the government has been fighting a guerrilla war against the Mozambique National Resistance (MNR), which was originally funded and supported that has governed Marxist by South Africa.

Mr. Chissano's government says that support has continued, despite the 1983 Nkomati Accord manders of the three armed ser- in which South Africa and

Mozambique pledgeu not to aid guerrillas in each other's territory. South Africa denies it has violated the accord. The war, drought and the

MNR's tactics of attacking roads, hridges, schools, clinics and other infrastructure have hampered development in the country and caused serious famine in some areas.

Gen. Hama Thai had served in the past as governor of Tete province, military commander in Inhambane province and chair-

man of the Maputo City Council. Replacing him as commander of the air force and anti-aircraft defences is Col. Joao Honwana. He was formerly air force chief of staff and is the brother of Minister of Culture Luis Bernardo Honwana.

Venezuela gears up fight against drug-linked rebels

CARACAS, Venezuela (AP) ing up for a major drive against Colombian drug-linked guerrillas in an attempt to halt the spread of drug plantations in this country.

Two National Guard Infantry battalions, totalling 750-800 men, were sent to the Sierra De Perija region near the border with Colombia after nine guardsmen in a 23-man patrol were killed by Colombian guerrillas in an ambush last Saturday, military sources told the Associated Press. The guardsmen bad been sent

tn the area to destroy fields of cocoa, the plant from which cocaine is extracted. National Guard General Alfredo Sandoval Hernandez vowed this week that his men would "fight ceaselessly" against the plantations. But in a press conference ear-

lier this year, the general admitted that he didn't have the resources to control the flow of cocaine through Venezueia, let alone eliminate the plantations. Venezuela has been negotiating to buy helicopters, possibly

from the United States or France, The Venezuelan military is gear- for transporting troops and spraying herbicides, according to diplomatic sources. The Venezuelan military has

also asked Colombia to beef up patrols on its side of the border to catch the guerrillas when they escape across the frontier. Greater joint efforts are indis-

pensable, the sources say, because the fields in Venezuela are being planted under supervision of Colombian drug traffickers and protected hy Colombian guerrillas. We must intensify our efforts

to free our nation from this (drug) scourge ... but we require the collaboration of our neighbouring country so that we can act together against something which is a challenge to both our nations' security," Venezuelan President Jaime Lusinchi said in a speech Wednesday to the

"We've been talking with the Colombian authorities for over two years now about this. We want Colombian troops on the ing a 500-acre plantation of mari-

border to stop (the guerrillas) at the border," said one ranking military officer, who spoke on condition of annoymity.

Venezuela is already known to be a major transshipment point for cocaine and marijuana, mainly from Colombia, destined for the United States and Europe. But the new stage of military alert, and national alarm, bas

arisen as more and bigger cocoa fields are discovered in the uninhabited parts of the nation close to its 1,200-mile border with Col-

Venezuela's first plantation of cocoa was found in March 1985 in the Sierra de Perija about four miles from the Colombian

Military nfficials considered the 15-acre field experimental, although hy August another 1,800 acres of marijuana with a few cocoa plants mixed in were discovered in the same region. Last week's attack occurred as National Guardsmen were clearjuana and cocoa that they had uncovered two weeks before just eight miles from the Colombian border.

These are Colombian operations, with the Colombians organising the local peasants (to grow the cocoa)," said the ranking military source. The fields are tiny when com-

pared with the 25,000-acre cocoa plantation near Colombia's border with Ecuador where 32 Colombian soldiers were killed Wednesday by generillas as the soldiers attempted to clear the

The same guerrilla group, the Communist Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces, or FARC, was blamed by the Venezuelan and Colombian governments for the attacks on both sides of the border.

The location of the drug plantation makes it almost impossible to estimate reliably how much land may already be under drug cultivation, military officials

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Police, vagabonds clash at Stonehenge

AMESBURY, England (AP) — Scuffles broke out at dawn Sunday betwee a police and vagabonds who assemble each year at Stonehenge, the 4,000-year-old stone monument, on midsummer's day. Police said about 30 people were arrested for breach of the peace after trying to break down a fence surrounding the archaeological site. The arrests were made as 60 white-robed, modern-day Druid sun worshippers prepared to celebrate the summer solstice, the longest day of the year, with a ritual sunrise ceremony at Stonehenge. After the Druids completed their ceremony with the blowing of rams' horn trampets, several hundred vagabonds were allowed into the monument to form a huge circle around the ancient stones. As a drum beat, leader Sid Rawle bent to kiss one of the stones and then silently, the group circled the monument. Stonehenge, the double circle of gigantic standing stones set in Salisbury Plain about 130 kilometres south west of London, is thought to have been a centre for pre-Christian worship and astronomical worship since the sun rises over a certain stone. Police said 350 of the vagabonds, sometimes referred to as "hippies" in Britain because of their 1960s lifestyle, were allowed to gather under escort outside the perimeter fence to watch the Druid ceremony. The sun rose at 4:57 a.m. (0357) GMT). A spokesman for English Heritage, which manages the site, said they were pleased with the way things had gone and that the Druids had been allowed to hold their ceremony.

Gamblers use corpses to beat the law

MANILA (R) — Gamblers in a Manila suburb are using corpses to beat a Philippine law that bans gamhling outside authorised places, a Manila newspaper has reported. Taking advantage of the Filipino custom of playing cards beside the coffin while the body lies in mourning, gambling operators in Mandahyong district borrow corpses for a fee from hospitals and use them as "mores" in much surker the tables? Pappla's Lournal estables. "props" in mock wakes, the tabloid People's Journal said. Sometimes, it said, the "mourners" rent their corpses from funeral parlours. The fee for a borrowed corpse is about 500 pesos (\$25), the newspaper said. Gambling in the Philippines is officially allowed only in licensed establishments such as casinos and at horse races, cockfights and Jai Alai games. Authorities turn a blind eye to gambling during household wakes out of

Madonna concert cancelled in Tokyo

TOKYO (AP) — Hundreds of enraged fans charged police after rain and strong winds forced the cancellation of a concert by rock for additional performances and that tickets would be refunded

Crows make mischief in Moscow

MOSCOW (R) - Siberian crows have been making mischief in Moscow, "bombing" the glass roof of the Gum Department Store with heavy stones, sliding down the gilded capolas in the Kremlin and attacking cats and dogs. Moscow Pravda said that Gum, on the edge of Red Square facing the Kremlin, had replaced the glass covering the department store roof with a specially-reinforced transparent roof. The big grey-black birds, brought to Moscow in the 1970s to control the city's pigeon population, were apparently attracted by the sound of breaking glass. The report was the latest on the exploits of birds, which have proliferated in the relatively mild climate of the capital after the rigours of their native habitat. Earlier reports from Moscow architects said the crows had enjoyed sliding down the gilded cupolas on the Kremlin's historicchurches and had damaged several of them. Londspeakers, emitting animal cries were set up to scare away the crows, flocks of which take over lawns around the Kremlin in the early evening. Moscow animal lovers say the crows have not only reduced the pigeon population hut are also driving sparrows out of the city and

ROCHESTER, New York (AP) - One of seven women arrested last year for baring their breasts in a city park says it would be nice if topless women attracted no more attention than shirtless men-Unfortunately, says Mary Lou Schloss, it's still a spectacle, so some of last year's protesters will hold another topless picnic Sunday to mark the anniversary of their arrests and continue to press their cause. "Basically, we're just making it clear that we have not given up the fight for our rights," Schloss said. Last June 21. Schloss and six other women removed their shirts before a large jeering crowd, television cameras and the watchful eyes of a group of police officers. They bared their breasts to protest a New York state law that allows men, but not women, to appear naked from the waist up in public. They claimed the law was discriminatory. Their protest and subsequent week-long trial three months. later attracted international attention. The "topfree seven," the name they gave themselves, brought in experts from around the country to testify about nudity, sex and women's breasts. One expert hrought a Barbie doll to the witness stand to illustrate the unattainable beauty ideals women are confronted with. Another testified the United States is obsessed with the female breast. The women hoped to persuade Judge Herman Walz that the law wasunconstitutional. Walz acquitted them, but didn't rule the law unconstitutional.

Italian porno star warned about her act

VIAREGGIO, Italy (R) — Italian porno star Tiona "ciccolina". Staller returned to the stage for the first time since winning a seat

respect for the dead.

star Madonna. More than 40,000 ticket-holders were turned away from Korakuen Baseball Stadium, where the outdoor concert was scheduled to be held. Junichi Yokota, 17, said he came to Tokyo from Nagoya, 269 kilometres to the west, just for the concert. "I had to come twice, once to buy the tickets and once for this," he said. "I had to spend about 50,000 yen (\$352). There's no way I can come back for a refund next week. I'm going to charge the organisers for all my expenses."- Crowds of teen agers surged against ropes held by police. Young girls, many of them in tears, strained at the barriers while some youths scuffled with security guards. There were no reported injuries and nobody was arrested, said Yoshiharn Michimoto, deputy chief of Tomisaka Police Station. "Because of strong winds the stage sets could not be set up," said Naoko Snetsune of Warner Records, the label on which Madonna's albums are released. "It's really too bad, because some people came here all the way from Hokkaido." Japan's nortrhern main island. Warner officials said there were no plans beginning Monday.

have been known to attack dogs and cats and kill kittens.

Women plan to go topless in public

in parliament only to be told by police that she would be accused of obscenity yet again. Staller, elected to the Chamber of Deputies last Monday on a Radical Party ticket, performed for about 200 people in a night club in Viareggio, a city on the Tuscan coast. After the show the deputy police chief of the nearby? provincial capital of Lucca said be would ask magistrates formally provincial capital of Lucca said be would ask magistrates to annually to accuse Staller, whose nickname means "little fleshy one of violating article 528 of Italy's penal code. But the Right Honourable Staller," as she will be known when Italy a new parliament is convoked on July 2, will be imprime to criminal prosecution unless her legislative colleagues vote that the would stand trial. Witnesses said Staller, whose props in the show included chains, a whip, stuffed animal and a live snake whose mouth was taped shut to avoid bites in awkward places, spoke of her aims in parliament. She said she would work to abolish articles 528 of the penal code which prohibits obscene shows. She also said she wanted sex education in primary schools. I want to forge ahead, like Joan of Arc, with a battle against the sense of decency," she told the crowd. A newly established moral prosesses group has said it would fight to prevent taking her seat. The environmental group Friends of the Earth had tried to prevent he using the live snake on the grounds that it was gruel

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